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The Editor's Page

Griffing Named Representative Deaf Teacher

Readers of THE SILENT WORKER who enjoy Ted Griffing's column on education and countless other friends and acquaintances of Ted will rejoice to learn that he has been selected by the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf for a trip to England in July, sponsored by the Convention. He will represent the deaf teachers of America at the International Congress of the Educational Treatment of Deafness.

In selecting Griffing for this honor the Convention committee has made an excellent choice. He is one of our outstanding teachers. He has edited the Oklahoma School paper for many years, and, besides conducting his department in THE SILENT WORKER, he recently directed the Occupational Survey in the southwestern states for the National Association of the Deaf.

While Ted is well known throughout the United States, he will be something unique in England, where a system of rigid oralism in the education of the deaf long ago brought about the eradication of deaf teachers and has resulted in a gradual deterioration in education of the deaf. If anyone can convince the authorities in England, and in other countries under the sway of oral theorists, that deaf teachers are essential, Ted Griffing can do it.

We hope Ted realizes that steamships set definite sailing times which are not so flexible as SILENT WORKER deadlines, and we advise him to make sure he catches the boat.

Griffing will have plenty of good company when he sails off for England. Miss Alyce Thomas, a supervising teacher in the Riverside, California, School, was named as the representative hearing teacher, and Dr. E. R. Abernathy, president of the Convention, will make the trip. A number of superintendents of schools and probably some teachers, also will attend the Congress in England.

Ratification of N.A.D. Reorganization Plan Sought This Summer

During the coming summer months a large number of state associations of the deaf will be having conventions, and it is hoped that they will consider the matter of ratifying the new N.A.D. laws, or the "Reorganization Plan."

At the St. Louis convention of the

N.A.D. it was decided that the new plan would become effective upon ratification by at least fifteen state associations of the deaf. Ratification simply means that the state associations decide by vote of their conventions to affiliate with the N.A.D. under the new plan. They will then send delegates to the 1960 convention of the N.A.D. No financial obligations are involved, except the usual affiliation dues of ten dollars, which practically all state associations have been paying.

Letters will soon go out from the N.A.D. office to the presidents of all state associations scheduled to meet this summer briefly explaining the new plan, but any state association official desiring information is invited to write to the N.A.D. office and ask questions. An effort will be made to send N.A.D. officials to the state conventions to explain the new laws.

The Minnesota and the Oklahoma associations ratified the Reorganization Plan at their conventions late last summer, so thirteen more states are needed.

Thanks to the L.P.F.

For Excellent Cooperation

Some time ago Mr. G. Dewey Coats, in charge of the membership campaign of the N.A.D., sent an advertisement to the school papers, Little Paper Family, asking them to print the ad. We are pleased to note that practically all the papers have published the advertisement, and indications are that membership is picking up.

This was but one of numerous instances in which the L.P.F. has cooperated with the N.A.D., and Mr. Coats and the N.A.D. hereby express their thanks to all who printed the advertisement.

Send In Your News

It has happened that THE SILENT WORKER has recently received complaints from readers in three different states because their own states were not included in the news items. We publish almost all the news items received, and if a state is missing, it is because no news was received from that state. Some of our correspondents write regularly each month, while others write only once in a while. This is why some states appear regularly and others do not. In some states we

have no correspondents, or those we had have relinquished the job.

Readers can help get their states into the news by helping find someone to write the news and send it in to our News Editor.

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The Friendly Spirit of St. Louis

By the Rev. MARK C. FRAME

Editor's Note: Last summer N.A.D. members at the St. Louis convention were delighted to find among them two congenial visitors representing the British Association of the Deaf. They were the Rev. Mark C. Frame of Scotland and Mr. A. B. Hayhurst of England, secretary and treasurer, respectively, of the British Association, and they had been sent by their Association to observe the convention deliberations. They were especially interested in the Reorganization Plan and the possibility that it might provide some ideas useful to their own organization.

Our Nadders had a great time entertaining our British friends. Mr. Frame had acquired considerable skill in the use of our one-hand manual alphabet, so conversation came easily. We hope they enjoyed their stay as much as we enjoyed having them, and we hope their visit to our convention was but the beginning of closer association and cooperation with the British Association.

THE BRITISH DEAF NEWS, published by the British Association, recently had an article by Mr. Frame reporting on his trip to the United States. It made such interesting reading, we are sure our own readers would appreciate it, so we are taking the liberty of reprinting it below.

THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of the Deaf of America was to hold a Convention in the city of St. Louis, Missouri, during the week 21st to 27th July. For some time past, the B.D.D.A. had been interested in an English speaking fellowship of the deaf reaching beyond the confines of our own country and we had noted with interest that during this coming Convention proposals would be submitted for the re-organising of the N.A.D. During the seventy odd years of its existence nobody had seemed altogether satisfied that the N.A.D. was all it should be. Indeed, someone had been quoted as saying, "The N.A.D. is sick; it has always been sick; it was born sick!"

As most of our members will be aware the B.D.D.A. has also been a little white about the gills for the past year or two. Nor have we been quite satisfied that our Association was all it should be. Re-organisation was needed here just as much as it could be

needed in America and for that reason we were keenly interested in the remedy proposed by our American Cousins to shake off whatever malady affected the N.A.D.

Our General Purposes Committee met in London on 12th June. It was recommended at this meeting that two representatives of the B.D.D.A. should attend the Convention in St. Louis and replies to a circular letter sent to members of the Executive Council showed that the proposal met with unanimous approval.

Rev. M. C. Frame and Mr. A. B. Hayhurst were then asked to make arrangements for attending the Convention on behalf of the B.D.D.A. A simple request, but one not so easily carried out at short notice! It was found that the only passage available, if we were to be in St. Louis in time for the business there, was on the R.M.S. Parthia, sailing from Liverpool on 6th July. So that date it had to be and the rush was on.

Vaccination came first, then the visa. It is apparently assumed that an American coming to Britain won't contaminate the British, because he does not require a visa; but a Briton going to America has to satisfy the American Consulate that he won't contaminate the Americans. We had our fingerprints taken. Had we ever been in prison? Were we Communists? And so on. In the end, with visas obtained and with arms tender above the elbow we boarded the Parthia on the date of sailing.

The ship docked at New York on 14th July after a comparatively calm crossing of the Atlantic. Long Island Sound was entered in the early hours of the morning so, being fast asleep at the time, we missed seeing the Statue of Liberty.

What we did see when sufficiently awake to peer out of the cabin porthole was a huge cylindrical shape towering upwards and dominating the scene from behind the dock buildings—a gas tank! Not so impressive a monument to be greeted by as the gigantic figure holding aloft America's torch of liberty would have been, surely, but symbolic in another way, perhaps, of this land of a reputedly loquacious people. Or so we thought at that time.

Following our luggage to the Customs shed we waited patiently for our baggage to be cleared and eventually



Rev. Mark C. Frame, left, and A. B. Hayhurst.

emerged from the gloom of the shed into the bright sunshine of New York. Here we had a piece of good fortune. An acquaintance from the old country who emigrated to New York some two years previously had heard of our coming and was on hand to greet us. With him was his fiancée and they had a car which was placed at our disposal. Pleasant company they proved to be and helpful at this stage of our travels.

For anyone thinking of visiting New York in mid-July the recommendation we would make is to get acclimatised by spending a week in a hothouse with the temperature at 110. No one had given us this advice so we were taken unawares by the heat and blessed the fact that the room in our hotel had a cold shower. We perspired most of the time we were not underneath the welcome spray.

Our first contact with the deaf of New York was made when we visited the Union League of the Deaf clubrooms. It was afternoon and there were only a few people on the premises—retired gentlemen puffing contentedly at cigars. We soon found that there was much in common for us to talk about. They were politely tolerant of our efforts to converse with the one hand alphabet, but we got along. This is a purely social club and it has about 500 members. A monthly rent is paid for the clubrooms—the amount of which would stagger some of our people—and it is met regularly with no thought of the public being solicited for subscriptions.

Next day we called at the Institute of the Jewish Society of the Deaf. Here we were made welcome by Dr. Emil

M. Zabell and had a long and interesting talk with him. The Institute, which we were shown over, is of moderate size and provides amenities similar to those found in most other places where the deaf meet. Dr. Zabell claimed that his society worked in conjunction with the New York State Division of Vocational Rehabilitation and that he had contributed a paper on this subject, based on psychological research into the problem as it affected a selected number of his own members. Everywhere we went subsequently we found that Vocational Rehabilitation was given prominence by both state departments and adult agencies and that close co-operation existed between these bodies and schools for the deaf in America.

Some twelve miles out of New York, in New Jersey, there is a Roman Catholic Mission for the deaf. We went out there on the third evening of our stay in New York and were very kindly welcomed by Father Hourihan. Everything we saw here impressed us. Fire had destroyed the old Mission premises a year or two ago and what we now saw was the re-built Chapel and Institute, modern in design and with a lighting system obviously installed after much thought had been given to the aspect of correct illumination. Part of the new structure contained classrooms for young children. These were large, light and airy. We parted from Father Hourihan after a long and interesting evening and our mutual good wishes were cordial in expression.

Before leaving New York we were fortunate enough to meet and introduce ourselves to Dr. Byron B. Burnes, President of the N.A.D. whom we had learned was in the city on business. The meeting then was brief but it served as an introduction to what would follow in St. Louis.

On the fourth day of our arrival in America we bade goodbye to New York, that great, busy, bustling city, where the dollar is worshipped six days of the week and God is praised on Sunday.

No European with an interest in the deaf goes to America without eventually arriving at Washington, D.C. It was to this city we made our way on leaving New York. Gallaudet College was the attraction.

Apparently there are two Washingtons. One with its tranquil atmosphere, its lovely statues set in acres of green grass and the stately architectural splendour of its dazzling white governmental buildings. We discovered the other by getting lost and straying to

a part where the coloured population lived. What a contrast! Wooden shacks, many in an appalling state of disrepair, were scattered everywhere and these were inhabited by the coloured "citizens."

On learning of our visit and that we wished to see the College Dr. Leonard M. Elstad, the president, invited us to lunch and afterwards we were conducted through the college grounds, into a new library that had been quite recently constructed. This tour was a revelation. Nine million dollars had been allocated by the State to facilitate expansion of Gallaudet's activities. In addition to the newly acquired library, steel skeletons bespoke other buildings that would soon exist in various parts of the grounds. Three-quarters of a century has elapsed since Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet founded this College. Not long before that the deaf had been considered uneducable, or not worth educating. What a gigantic stride has been made in the history of the American deaf since those days when Gallaudet, who married a deaf woman, became the first president of the college, founded in 1864. It is with reluctance we leave this subject. More must be said in Britain about Gallaudet College. We had evidence in abundance of all that this institution has done for the American deaf. St. Louis proved it many times over.

And now to the Convention itself. We flew from Washington and touched down en route at Louisville. From the interior of the TWA monster we gazed at the sun drenched aerodrome. It would be twenty minutes before the flight was resumed and we decided to spend most of that time exploring the low-roofed buildings flanking the run-way.

A blonde angel in a neat grey uniform directed us down the steps to the asphalt below. Then we felt it! All the heat and humidity of jungle legend seemed to wrap itself round us with an embrace that was tangible and cloying. Orchids might thrive in this hot-house atmosphere, but . . . ! "Is it as hot in St. Louis?" we enquired of the blonde angel on boarding the plane again. "Hotter," smiled the angel. And so it proved to be.

The heat was blistering as we made our way from the airport to the centre of St. Louis. We booked at a hotel called the Mayfair where, to our great relief, the rooms were airconditioned and each contained that boon of all boons—a cold shower.

Two blocks away from our hotel was the Hotel Jefferson. This was Convention headquarters and we went there

as soon as we had settled down. In America—as in most continent countries—the one hand alphabet is used. Our use of the two hand finger-spelling method soon made us conspicuous. It appeared to be a novelty, but it was not long till the ice was broken and the freaks became accepted as ordinary humans. We mixed freely and enjoyed the company even though our signs were strange to our friends and theirs no less strange to us.

We had arrived on a Saturday, so next day we went to headquarters to find out if any special arrangement had been made for sabbath services. We were told that services were taking place in various churches of different denominations, but we noticed that there were plenty of absentees! In the evening there was an amateur film show. We attended this and noted that the hall was packed. The films appeared to be records of N.A.D. activities, past and present, with views of Gallaudet College interspersed.

On Monday morning we presented ourselves at the Hotel Jefferson to "register" and to obtain tickets for the week's events. In this connection we were greatly assisted by Mr. Morris Campbell, chairman of the local deaf Committee responsible for the carrying out of the Convention programme and felt grateful to him.

Business commenced in the forenoon with a round table conference of delegates. We were present, having been advised that we could attend all meetings. To facilitate understanding, an interpreter was placed at our disposal. In addition to delegates from the American states, the province of Ontario, in Canada, and Gallaudet College were represented officially at this Convention.

The President, Dr. Byron B. Burnes explained the proposals before the Convention for the re-organisation of the Association and the financial considerations involved. Discussion followed and procedure was outlined. At this meeting we met Mr. David Peikoff, of Canada. He is President of the Ontario Association of the Deaf and a Vice-President of the N.A.D. A graduate of Gallaudet College, he is also Editor of the *Ontario Deaf News* and from him we received a warm welcome, fully reciprocated. Later, in the evening, we were officially welcomed by Dr. Burnes as representatives of the B.D.D.A.

The serious business began on the following day. The forenoon was occupied with the presentation of reports, This followed immediately after the President had given his address.

Ground covered by the reports was, 1, Insurance. 2, Occupational Survey. 3, Motion picture records. 4, Fund raising. 5, the N.A.D. Home Office. 6, Re-organisation of the N.A.D. Copies of these reports were made available to us so that we could have a detailed record of the business for later consideration.

Mention made about THE SILENT WORKER, N.A.D.'s official magazine, which has a function similar to our own *British Deaf News*, interested us. This magazine was originally published by a school in New Jersey where printing was taught. A new headmaster discontinued its publication in 1927, to the sorrow of many deaf people. In 1947 the N.A.D. began to publish the magazine again, but it has always been a losing proposition. A deficit of 8,000 dollars was incurred over the past two years. The subscription rate is 3½ dollars, with 50 cents allowed as sales commission. Circulation is about 4,500 copies per issue. It was agreed to appoint a committee of three to go into ways and means of continuing publication and that, meantime, deficits should be paid out of the N.A.D. treasury. To encourage sports THE SILENT WORKER selects an "Athlete of the Year" and awards a trophy.

The afternoon business was taken up mainly with debates on the re-constitution policy and voting on suggested amendments. A decision was made to avoid specific reference to Canada in the revised Constitution, but assurance was given by Mr. Peikoff that Canada would continue to support the N.A.D.

In the evening we attended a "Rally Nite." At this event we met Mr. Boyce Williams, who is deaf and a United States Federal Government Consultant on Vocational Rehabilitation of the Deaf. Boyce Williams is also a graduate of Gallaudet College and a valued member of the N.A.D.

In mid-week, we were invited to a luncheon arranged by the Gallaudet College Alumni, when places were reserved for us at the principal table. We conveyed to all who were present greetings from the deaf of Britain.

The greater part of the week was occupied with business meetings continuing discussions on the proposed new Constitution. Minor amendments were put forward for consideration and some were adopted. It was approved to leave the re-wording of these to the officers and that a final draft be produced for Friday's meeting.

It was not all work and no play, however. On Wednesday evening there was a boat jaunt on the Mississippi

aboard the steam boat "Admiral." The bottom deck of this wonder boat is laid out as a "show-ground" where one can be a child again and have all the fun of the fair. The deck above is for dancing only and on the balconies above the floor we sucked "Seven Up!" through a straw (a beverage we unimaginative islanders call lemonade) and watched all of a thousand couples dancing in the American ballroom style. It looked like three steps forward and three to as-you-were, with an occasional movement to either side. And, how serious the dancers were!

On a second deck, higher up, another thousand couples danced, dined and gossiped.

The top, or promenade deck, was where we spent most of the time to get the cool evening air and here we had opportunity to chat with members of the N.A.D. This is a four hour cruise and appears to be one of the features for the visitor to St. Louis.

Then there was the all day outing to Forest Park and an *al fresco* lunch when we drank iced tea and helped ourselves to chicken, fruit and cakes from cartons in which all these were contained. On the way we visited the Art Galleries and Lindbergh Museum. The weather was lovely and under the shade of the trees one could contentedly relax.

A memorable day this because, to cap all, we saw our first ever Ball Game in the evening. Let England have her cricket and Scotland her football, but in America the thing is baseball. We saw St. Louis Cardinals wham Brooklyn to defeat. And, being from St. Louisians we rejoiced.

After this game we proceeded to the local club rooms in St. Louis and when, hours later we returned to the Mayfair, it was with a feeling of warm regard for all with whom we had fraternized.

When Friday came it was unanimously agreed that the rules re-drafted by the officers in accordance with amendments approved during preceding days of the Convention be finally accepted. Unanimous approval was given to the motion providing for the adoption of the new constitution; this adoption to become effective immediately acceptance had been signified by at least fifteen States.

This means that the N.A.D. may now become regarded as the focal point of activities of all the co-operating state and provincial associations of the deaf in America and shall have the support of these bodies in promoting the welfare of the deaf in educational, industrial and legislative spheres and in

any other field pertaining to, or affecting the deaf of America, in their pursuit of economic security, social equality and privileges as citizens.

In all, the revised constitution now consists of sixteen articles delineating the functions attached to 1, Membership. 2, The Home office, or permanent headquarters of the N.A.D. 3, Office-bearers. 4, Duties of Office-bearers. 5, The Executive Board. 6, National Conventions. 7, Co-operating members. 8, Expenditure limitations. 9, Fees and dues of members. 10, The Local Committees for Conventions. 11, Programmes for Conventions. 12, Affiliated Organisations. 13, The Official Seal (badge of the Association). 14, The Official publication. 15, Amendments to the by-laws and 16, the effective date on which the new bye-laws shall supercede all the old bye-laws.

A bicameral system will operate in future. This means that participants in national conventions (approximately similar to our Triennial Congresses) will be divided into two groups. One group will be known as the General Assembly and will consist of members registered at the Convention and the other will be made up of official State representatives and officers of the Executive Board of the N.A.D., called the Council of Representatives. The General Assembly shall make proposals and suggestions, but the Council of Representatives will have final voting power and control of decisions. Such decisions shall be considered as final.

It seems to us that the N.A.D. has made a momentous decision in establishing permanent headquarters and in the employment of a full time staff. According to statistics there are over 120,000 totally deaf people in the U.S.A. It is on behalf of this community that the N.A.D. proposes to operate, even though only a fraction of the number are members of the Association. "The N.A.D. has risen from its sick-bed. Long life to it!"

On the morning after the Convention ended we were motored to the airport by Mr. Edward Carney, treasurer of the Convention finances, who very kindly volunteered this service. So ended a contact with people whom we found most charming and with whom, we hope, we have laid the basis for an Anglo-American fellowship.

Wandering Through Europe and the Scandinavian Countries

By DR. MARCUS L. KENNER

AUSTRIA

Wednesday, August 14

Reached the capital, VIENNA, on the banks of the romantic Danube, in the afternoon, and registered at the Hotel Ambassador. Two hours later we received a visit by Herr Rudolph Haydn, president of "WITAF" (Vienna Association of the Deaf) and a direct descendant of Josef Haydn, famed composer and pianist. In the evening we dropped in at the local club where I made the acquaintance of some representative deaf. They number 1200 in Vienna and 7500 throughout Austria. Their main occupation is hand composition; tailoring is second.

Thursday, August 15

Morning: grand city tour with guide. Passed all the important and historical places. Of special interest was the Schonbrunn Castle, erected 300 years ago and greatly enlarged by Emperor Franz Josef and Queen Marie Theresa as their summer residence. I viewed their large bedroom and some of the richly decorated 1440 rooms which beggar description. . . . In 1805 Napoleon established his headquarters there, and in one of the rooms I was shown the bed where his son, L'Aiglon, King of Rome, died. Also, the table on which Charles II and his queen, Zita, signed their abdication in 1918. On return trip, passed the winter palace of Franz Josef where, from its balcony Hitler proclaimed the occupation of Austria.

In the evening, accompanied by Herr

Rudolph Haydn, Herta and Humbert Spitzer, Eugenie and Karl Holub, Frau Steffi Hotzinger, and Herr Leopold Metzser, visited Grinzing, famous wine-making district where we passed a pleasant evening. There was no lull in our conversation, and there appeared to be no bottom to the Heuriger-Nussberger wine bottles.

Friday, August 16

On invitation, I visited the estate of Prof. and Frau Gustinus Ambrossi, world-famous sculptor, who has done the busts of Clemenceau, Chancellor Raab of Germany, Stefan Zweig, and other notables, the latest being that of Pope Pius XII. Prof. Ambrossi, a virile man around 65 and extremely active, hardly associates with the deaf, tho he is one of them. Besides sculpturing, he has written excellent German books in both prose and poetry. He has given or loaned his life work, bronzes and marbles, to the Austrian government, in return for which it has presented him a superb study and residence, with an adjoining museum which will be completed in 1962 to house his masterpieces. Incidentally, on this very location was the playground of Queen Marie Theresa and a line of kings; Mozart, Haydn, and Beethoven gave concerts there. We had an interesting conversation while he and his gracious Frau showed me around, and we agreed to correspond with each other.

When one is more than 3000 miles away from home, it is always exhilar-



In front of Vienna residence of Prof. and Mme. Gustinus Ambrossi.

ating to receive mail from family and friends. A heartening one was from Mr. Bernard Teitelbaum of Pittsburgh, Pa., in which he enclosed personal greetings from over three score friends in attendance at the N.A.D. Convention, then in session at St. Louis, Mo. Here are just a few lines in jocular vein, I'd like to share with you: "What you doing so far from New York? . . . isn't the same without you!" . . . "If we make you plenipotentiary, will you behave?" . . . "Do not forget to come back." and so on.

On afternoon trip drove by Schubert's birthplace and Beethoven's residence, vineyards and picturesque old villages, Heiligenstadt and Grunzing with their characteristic wine taverns, displaying the so-called "Heuriger." Ascending the Kohlenberg on the serpentine high road, passed Leopold Castle, 500 years old, and got a good glimpse of Vienna below. Beckoning in the distance was Ukraine. Returning, we drove thru the lovely Vienna Woods, back to the city.

In the evening Herr Haydn and I dined at the famed Wiener Rathaus-Keller. Our main dish was Wiener Schnitzel and Apfelstrudel. Its coffee is, of course, *par excellence*. . . . Nearby on the Ringstrasse and facing the



A festive night in Grinzing, Vienna. Left to right: Elfi and Leopold Metzker, Herta Spitzer, Dr. Kenner, Jenny and Karl Holub, Rudolf and Kathe Haydn, Humbert Spitzer, Steffi Hotzinger, and Harry Spitzer.



Obfrau Ida Stadler, head of Salzburg club, and Dr. Kenner.

Hofburg Palace, there are three immense busts of the citizen-heroes, Jakob Reumann, Victor Adler, and Ferdinand Hanisch, erected "in memory of the abdication of its last emperor, Charles II. . . . We took a nocturnal ramble thru the immense Hofburg Palace grounds to my Hotel Ambassador—and to bed.

Saturday, August 17

Inspected the new home of the "Wiener Taubstummen Fursorge Verband" on Kleine Pfarge 33, Vienna. It is a huge building, sponsored by the city, in which three large-sized rooms are allocated for use by the deaf. . . . Dined at residence of Herr and Frau Haydn, after which I finally met Frau Greta Alexanderovicz and helped establish contact with her old schoolmate, Mrs. Luba Rifkin of Brooklyn, N. Y. . . . Escorting me back to my hotel and bidding me a fond farewell were Herr and Frau Haydn, Golub, and Spitzer. *Viele Danken!*

Sunday, August 18

Up bright and early as Frau Rudolph Haydn kindly saw me off at the Bahnhof Station where I boarded the 9 a.m. express for LINZ, arriving there in two and one-half hours. Was met at station by Fraulein Inge Langthaler and Herr H. Prochazka. After luncheon we took a short trip past the Dana River and ascended to Postlingberg, which afforded us a panoramic view of the city, as well as the "V.O.E.S.T.," huge iron and steel works, formerly owned by Herman Goering, and employing 20,000 men. After a stop at the local club in the evening, back to hotel.

Monday, August 19

Ugh . . . it's raining cats and dogs—but, continued my train trip in afternoon, arriving in two hours at SALZBURG, the world's leading summer musical festival city, besides being noted for science and art. Checked in at Hotel Winkler, whose wide terraces atop afford an enchanting view of the entire city. . . . In the evening Frau Ida Stadler, head of the Salzburg Taubstummen Verein, and a few others dropped in to get acquainted and to inquire about friends in the USA.

Tuesday, August 20

Half day walking tour with personal guide, visiting Mirabell Gardens, 17th century, containing unusual floral displays, besides the winged "Pegasus"; the Old Town which was walled in until 1624, hence the very narrow streets. Neighbors, living across, can easily shake hands with each other! Took a funicular railway ascent, propelled by water power, to the Festung Hohensalzburg, largest fortress in Cen-

tral Europe (1066) from which can be seen the Salzbach River, Capuchin Mountain, Berchetsgaden, Hitler's former home, etc. Then visited the Abbey Church (847), the Peters-Keller, a cellar hollowed out of natural rock, and the Catacombs; finally, Residence Square and Fountain and the hallowed place where Salzburg's greatest son, Mozart, was born; the Old Market, University Square, and the famed Salzburg Festival House.

Came across and purchased a few "Edelweiss Blume," very rare flowers growing 800 feet high up in the Alpine rocks. Dangerous and difficult to locate them. They don't have to be watered. In fact, they would disappear if that was done! They're mainly used as bookmarks and on decorative plates and will last for 100 years! . . . Visited the large printing plant of the Stadler family, established by her late father; then dined with them: I met their son-in-law, Mr. Raymond Snipes, who speaks perfect English and, no wonder, since he's a Yank who, while stationed with the U. S. Army in Salzburg, married the boss' daughter.

Wednesday, August 21

With Raymond Snipes, visited Hellbrunn Castle at nearby Salzburg, a sort of medieval pleasure place. Its most popular attractions are the water-tricks, spouting statues, and grottoes. A drenching rain was then pouring outside. As if this was not sufficient, water spouting from numerous hidden pipes unexpectedly sent down an artificial shower on the startled spectators. Many ingenious devices allow them to be squirted upon, and the only one to remain dry is the practical joker himself. Also, there's a Mechanical Theatre where a pressure sets the hundreds of figurines in motion, giving a lively picture of 18th century life—all this by water power.

Thursday, August 22

Boarded morning train for INNSBRUCK, Austria. Through its wide picture-frame windows, I gazed in peaceful contemplation on pastoral scenes, tumbling waterfalls, gurgling brooks, turbulent rivers, quaint houses, sleepy towns and hamlets, picturesque garbs of the natives, and, beyond all, the towering Tyrolean Alps. Here is Tranquility, truly at its best! Four and a half hours later, reached my destina-

Part of the American delegation in Innsbruck, en route to Milan. Left to right: Joseph Worzel, Charles E. Whisman, Thos. W. Elliott, Art Kruger, Mrs. Becky Elliott, Mrs. Georgette Fleischman.





The Russian and American delegates in Rome. Kenner is on the right and B. B. Burnes, left.

tion, the capital of the Tyrol and "City of Mountaineers."

Checked in at the Tyrol Hotel and to our great surprise, met Mr. Robey Burns of Chicago. Ere I had time to unpack, he promptly led me to four waiting buses which contained the entire American delegation of some 140 persons! Many of them were personal friends whom I had expected to see in Milan, two days thence. It certainly felt good to meet with fellow Americans again. . . . Not on my itinerary, but I was delighted to join them on a cable ascent to Mt. Hafelek, some 8000 feet high. 'Twas breathtaking and impressive to behold the awe-inspiring glaciers; but, brrrr . . . was it cold! Returning to our hotel, I joined the delegation at dinner.

Friday, August 23

Breakfasted with the American delegation, after which they all departed for Venice and Milan while I remained behind for scheduled sightseeing tour of city. Visited Tyrolean National Art Museum, showing great collections of old peasant crafts and costumes, also Berg Isel and its museum with relics of the past. A monument of Andreas Hofer, its national hero who battled against the French in 1809, dominates the spot.

Lunched at the "Weisses Kreuz," a Mozart landmark, then took a ramble through the Old Town, leisurely sauntering under its arcades in the venerable houses, where time seems to have stood still. A popular attraction is the "Goldenes Dachl" (Golden Roof) built by Emperor Maximilian in 1500. This gleaming wonder is installed over a balcony from which he usually addressed the populace. Surrounded by gigantic mountains and snow-capped

peaks, Innsbruck is, well, simply out of this world.

Saturday, August 24

Had a session with the "Friseur" (barber). They work in reverse, shaving first and then hair-cutting. After giving me a shampoo, a huge hair-dryer (such as those used for ladies) was placed over my head. Imagine my appearance!

Took the 11 a.m. Alps Express for MILAN. Had reserved seat in compartment—and three doors from mine whom should I encounter but friends from Salzburg, Frau Ida Stadler and Gianna Fandaca, also on way to Milan for the International Games. Our train soon crossed the Brenner Pass and in late afternoon we reached

ITALY

The principal claim to fame of Milan, second most populous city, is that it harbors one of the world's noted opera houses, the La Scala, also the Milan Cathedral.

Sunday, August 25

Together with Miss Astrid Ericson of Sweden, whom I met in Milan, we lunched with the officers of the CISS (International Sports Organization): Mr. and Mrs. Jens P. Nielson (Denmark) president; Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Bernhard (France) vice president; Mr. and Mrs. Antoinette Dresse (Belgium) secretary-treasurer; afterwards we all went to the opening of the International Games. I shall not attempt to encroach on abler pens than mine to chronicle the sporting events. Suffice it to say, it was the largest assemblage in attendance thus far, well over 5000. Welcoming speeches were made by the President of Italy and the Mayor of Milan, also Mario D'Agata, deaf, former bantamweight boxing champion of the world. A helicopter, swooping low, released "greetings" as hundreds of balloons ascended; then the colorful parade of representatives from 26 nations started. It was a unique ex-



Kenner and Burnes at the W.F.D. meeting in Rome.

Photo courtesy of Hans Schroeder, New York

perience to mingle with the deaf of so many countries.

Monday-Tuesday, August 26-27

All street cars and many billboards bear flags and posters advertising the International Games of the Deaf. The deaf seem to be encountered everywhere on the streets of Milan. Closer inspection reveals that they are hearing Italians who, habitually, gesticulate with their hands. The signs for "come" and "goodbye," used by both the deaf and hearing, are the very opposite of ours. A hearing lady beckoning a "come here" sign, was merely saying "goodbye." Confusing!

Wednesday, August 28

Visited the famed Milan Cathedral on the Plaza Duomo, resembling St. Marks in Venice, rendezvous of many Americans.

The sporting events, held daily for a week, at three different stadiums, make it difficult to meet certain friends. After attending one, I became acquainted with Mario D'Agata, the idol of the Italian sporting world. The average prize fighter is oft regarded as pretty "dumb," but D'Agata impressed me as a humorous chap, possessing both brains and brawn.

Thursday, August 29

In the evening, who should bob up but the prexy of our N.A.D., Dr. Byron B. Burnes. He posted me on the recent St. Louis Convention which I missed while I gave him the low-down of doings in Europe—all of which lasted far into the night.

Friday, August 30

All morning President Burnes and I conferred with reference to our plans

Some of the Israeli sport delegates in Milan.

of procedure at the coming Congress of the World Federation of the Deaf, after which Miss Astrid Ericson joined us for luncheon and the final closing ceremonies at the stadium. In the evening came the banquet, attended by around 1000 persons, at which the prizes to athletes were awarded. We Americans were especially proud and pleased to have the Little Rock, Arkansas, basketball team attain the world championship title. Our other athletes distinguished themselves more than in previous years.

Saturday, Aug. 31-Sunday, Sept. 1

Via Rapido Express, a small party of us were whisked off to Rome, the Eternal City, and checked in at The Flora. On Sunday morning we attended opening of the International Exhibition of Art by the Deaf, at the Exposition Palace. . . In the afternoon Miss Ericson, Dr. Burnes, and I joined Messrs. Seymour Gross and Ernest Eingerman, in the latter's car, for a sightseeing tour. Visits were made to the Fountain of Trevi, described as "a beautiful confusion of rocks and sea monsters," also the palace which Signor Mussolini presented to his lady friend, Claretta Petacci. It's a superbly furnished place, love-nest and all, now transformed into the Palazzo Restaurant.

Monday, September 2

Attended opening of the General Assembly of the World Federation of the Deaf at the Palazzo de Congressi which lasted three days. Each country had a table and seats assigned to it, equipped with microphone hearing set which could be manipulated to bring the speaker's translated message in English, French, or Italian. The USA seats were occupied by President Burnes and myself. Mrs. Boyce R. Williams of Washington, D. C., kindly volunteered to act as our interpreter. . . In the

afternoon Dr. B. B. Burnes, Signor Mario Santin, Miss Astrid Ericson, and I hired a horse-drawn coach which took us to historical spots of Rome, where Nero fiddled and Mussolini spouted. Of great interest were the Forum, the Coliseum, and the Victor Emanuel II Monument.

Tuesday, September 3

Continuation of General Assembly,



Executive Director, Michigan Association for Better Hearing

First, in the interest of complete understanding, I would like to comment some of the responses to one of Roger M. Falberg's "Sifting the Sands", which is printed in his column for January.

Our proposal for a regional personal adjustment training center at some state school for the deaf would not be for regular students at that school. It would be for adults, and it is proposed that it might operate from 4:00 p.m. until midnight, like some training centers did during the last war.

In my thinking such training would be for two classes of deaf workers, both at the bottom of the deaf population.

In the unschooled group would be those adults who never went to school but just stayed a home and who cannot talk, read, write, or sign. Some went to school a year, two years, or three years, when they were young, and then in the next ten years or more they forgot the few words or signs they learned as kiddies. These people need to be taught to sign, to write their names, to read signs, to tell time, to count money, to groom themselves properly, and many other things. Who can provide such instruction except a teacher of the deaf?

In an almost unemployable group is the deaf person who did not have much to offer an employer when he finished school, and unfortunate experiences since that time have made it almost impossible to get him a job. Perhaps he lost a couple of jobs because of poor attendance or poor production and has a bad work record. Maybe he insisted on taking time off and was as a result discharged and did not realize it until he could not get back through the factory gate. Maybe he was a victim of horseplay or teas-

ing in the factory, and as a result he got into a fight and received all the blame for the incident. Perhaps on a succession of jobs he could not get along with other workers.

(Dr. Kenner's travelogue will be concluded in the April issue.)

These people need a new start. They need a skill that will be salable to help compensate for a bad record. They need help with their particular problems, both counselling and an opportunity to practice what they are taught to do. They need a work experience for which they can get a good recommendation, in order to get back into employment. Is there a better place to provide such instruction than at a residential school for the deaf?

Such a personal adjustment training center for the adult deaf who have additional handicaps would be sponsored by the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation which has the one purpose of putting disabled adults to work. So, if the vocational center were at all successful, there would be no problem about getting jobs for the enrollees, and Vocational Rehabilitation personnel would see to it.

Thus, such a training center would serve those who never had the opportunity of attending a school for the deaf. Also, such a plan would provide a second chance for those people who went to school but for some reason have great difficulty getting or keeping jobs.

And the children in a school for the deaf would not know of the existence of such a training center except for the burning of the shop lights late into the night.

Carl B. Smith's excellent ideas on supervisors and Roger M. Falberg's clear understanding of the need for counselors in schools will have to wait until next month.



Mons. et Mme. Alcais, Mons. Groland, and Dr. Kenner in Paris.

The Educational Front

By W. T. Griffing, Editor and Parents' Department

We haven't the faintest idea what we have done to that dratted dead line or where we left it when we last commenced; but we do know what it has done to us. Here we sit, a hopeless wreck, so nervous and so confused that



W. T. GRIFFING

we wouldn't know a dead line from a live one.

Work has piled on us. It is just like the time when we were young — and carefree — and were visiting Grandma. Well, she piled our bed with quilts and comforts until we were all but crushed to death under the weight of them. Still, it was a grand and glorious feeling, just like the feeling we have right now as we try to make you either parents or educated. Here we go!

Written in to say, "Let's go, N.A.D.!"

Not so long ago we were reading a book, *God's Psychiatry*, and we came across a passage that interested us very much. We pass it along to you this way:

"The teacher is also a minister of God. The teacher seeks to train the mind, to seek truth and know truth when it is found. A mind which thinks error is a sick mind. So a teacher is practicing part of the great science of psychiatry."

A dollar a month may save you a bellow for life!

Another school experiment that seems to be paying off is a ban on social activities in a certain school. This course of action was taken by the parents after they became alarmed over the poor grades their children were making.

These parents, all with children in a certain elementary grade, got together to talk things over. They agreed that too much time was being spent on parties, dances, movies, coke dates, and the like. So, literally speaking, they put solid feet down on this fun when there were lessons to do. The kiddies took it in good grace.

What was the result? Well, the children's grades showed an upward trend when the next reports came out. So pleased were the parents, and the children, that it was agreed the ban on social activities should continue through the school term.

There is food for thought for us here. It is a fact that too many of us stress the social side of school life. Too much time is devoted to these things, and they do detract from the classroom chores.

Perhaps it is time for us to stop pampering a certain group of students, those more interested in good times than good grades. Life, for sure, isn't going to give them passes to some dance hall or some all-star game; instead, it will give them a swift one in the rear now and then to remind them that "Life is real, life is earnest . . ."

Do you build up or do you tear down?

Oklahoma City has an ungraded school. Report cards have been abolished. Regular parent-teacher conferences take their place. A pupil is never flunked or kept a year—he is moving forward but at his own individual speed. The general trend of the description of this school program is that of a system based on individual aptitudes, in which the greatest possible attention is paid to the personal needs of each pupil.

The success or failure of this system will depend mainly on how hard the teachers work, what ability they may have, how they apply the rules and regulations of the program. Such a thing as an automatically successful system of teaching would seem to become more difficult as elasticity of curriculum is increased. One thing is certain—the teacher is going to have his or her hands full.

Russian educators abandoned that form of elasticity in favor of the "old-fashioned" method of competitive marks, and that is one reason Russia is now ahead in certain respects.

We mention this experiment not that we think it can fit in at any school for the deaf, but for the interest angle involved.

Charity begins at home and in the N.A.D.

The new residential hall for young ladies on the Gallaudet College campus has been named in honor of Dr. Elizabeth Peet, one of the finest persons we know of, even if she did rate us dismally low in French while she was trying to pound some of the three R's into our thick head.

This should make all of the old Gallaudet clan right happy. Dr. Peet

is deeply loved for her work for and with the deaf.

Sophia Fowler Hall, where we used to try to hold hands with the co-eds? Well, it now a dormitory for the boys, for the boys . . . this is too much!

Why does America look like the promised land to the deaf of Europe? You tell me, bud!

We wish to call your attention to a duty you should not shirk, if you are a red-blooded deaf citizen of this great country. Dr. Maxine Tull Boatner has written a fine book, *The Edward Miner Gallaudet Biography*, which should be in the hands of every one interested in the deaf and their welfare.

This book, to be published, must have advance subscriptions for 2,000 copies at \$3.50 per copy postpaid. These orders must be in the publisher's hands by June 1, 1958.

Dr. Boatner is the wife of that hustling head of the American School for the Deaf at Hartford. She is our friend. We can show her that we are hers, too, by sending in a subscription to the book.

In showing our appreciation of Dr. Boatner, we would likewise be showing how much we think of her husband who all through the years has shown that he believes in the deaf and that he is willing to fight for them when their cause is just.

Send your subscription to:

The E.M.G. Biography Committee
P.O. Box 277
West Hartford, Connecticut.

Still borrowing the SW?

We appreciate your interest but \$3.50 expresses it better.

We think we have said far more than enough this time. So many of you are busy with your tax return which, by the by, has a dead line that we dare not ignore. Uncle Sam does not understand us as well as bbb. Where is that guy, anyway? We have not had a single word from him since he got back from Italy. Is he still tangled up in that spaghetti?

You will notice that we have not said much about the three R's. But if you have actually read this far, you can mark one of them off your doubtful list. It pays to be well-read.

We will look for you next month. If we do not see you, we will know the line is dead; if you do not see us, something beside a line may be dead. Thanks for coming this far with—WTG.



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Swinging round the nation



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DEADLINE FOR NEWS IS THE 10TH OF EACH MONTH.

ARIZONA . . .

Quite a few local couples plan trips to the altar during 1958. Dory Hazelbaker and Edward Bell were married on Saturday, January 25, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Later-Day Saints, and Orlando Lugo recently presented Marie Alvarez of Calexico with a flashing diamond ring. Charlene Beck of Phoenix is engaged to be married to Stanley O'Neal. Rumor has it that John Crutchfield may soon forsake his bachelorhood and ask for the hand of a lovely lass up in Phoenix. Jerry Cunningham and Gavino Linares are still running around footloose and fancy-free.

Jimmy Goodson, driving a good-looking '57 Chevrolet, stopped over in Tucson the other week en route back to Gallaudet and said he hated to leave the sunshine for the snows of Washington, D. C. Kenny Riggs is running around in a '53 Ford. Orlando Lugo owns a '52 Ford, and Clyde Russell has bought a '53 Ford convertible.

The new officers of the Hughes Silent Club are: Lester Donovan, president; Elwin Slade, vice-president; and Edna Burnett of 3637 South 7th Avenue, Tucson, was elected secretary-treasurer.

On the last day of the hunting season Wayne Crandall of Safford bagged a six-point buck weighing, as he said, back-breaking pounds. We're hoping that the winter's supply of venison will add a few pounds to his tall and lanky frame!

A photograph of the Arizona School for the Deaf appears on page 37 of the February issue of *Arizona Highways*. 'Tis interesting to read how Tucson is mushrooming . . . no longer is our town a little Mexican village, a stagecoach stop, a paradise of outlaws. 'Pears certain that Tucson is soon destined to catch up, at least in population, with our rival neighbor, Phoenix.

We are happy to include Arizona news this month through the courtesy of Mrs. Lester Donovan, 1424 W. Prince Road, Tucson, Arizona.

KANSAS . . .

Ivan Stout, father of Mrs. Edward Elits, Winfield, passed away December 14 and was interred in that city. We extend to Mrs. Elits our heartfelt sympathy.

Archie Grier, Wichita, must be the first Kansan to be driving a '58 Chevy. He traded his old Chevy for the Biscayne model in December.

Dalton Fuller, Wichita, became a great-grandfather for the fifth time when his great-granddaughter, Cheryl Lynn, was born to his granddaughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wills, on December 15 at Sabetha, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stucky, Murdock, became grandparents of a sixth grandchild on December 16. Their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stucky, Belle Plain, have named their first child Mark.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Feizke, Leavenworth, are happy over the birth of

their second child, Harvey Ludwig, on December 29. They have a two-year old daughter.

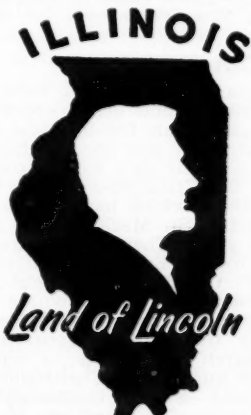
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Martin, Hutchinson, announce the birth of their second child, a daughter on December 31. Their other child, David, is 2½ years old.

Another couple of Hutchinson, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence McGlynn, are happy parents of a third child, a daughter born on January 2. They have two boys.

Mr. and Mrs. George Harms, Wichita, have a real good reason for being happy and proud nowadays. Their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Short, Wichita, presented them a grandson named Mark, who came on January 9.

Mrs. May Curtis, Washington, D.C., flew to Kansas City where her sister, Mrs. Susie Ayers, of Olathe, met her. Both sisters drove to Wichita and spent one day and night with their brother and family, Otis Koehn, on December 19. The girls then went on to Montezuma, where they spent a week with their mother, Mrs. Mary Koehn. Otis and family spent the weekend of the 29th with them. Mrs. Curtis left for her home on Dec. 30.

The deaf groups of the Riverside Christian Church and the Lutheran Church in Wichita had their Christmas parties and gift exchanges on December 21. The grab-bag method was used in both exchanges. At the Riverside



21st Triennial Convention
of the

ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

July 3, 4, 5, 6, 1958

Headquarters: Hotel St. Nicholas

PROGRAM:

Thursday evening—Registration and Reception at the St. Nicholas Hotel.

Friday—Business meeting; banquet in the evening.

Saturday — Business meeting; sight seeing; floor show and dance in the evening.

Sunday—All day outing at Lake Springfield.

Chairman James Rayhill,
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\$11.00-\$12.00

Room for three persons
with bath—\$3.50-\$4.00-\$5.00
per person

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with bath—\$3.50-\$3.50-\$4.00
per person

All rooms with baths, air conditioned, TV or radio.

Chairman Rayhill will mail out postal of hotel room rates upon your request. Please mail direct to the Hotel.



Model "Piper Cub" with radio control, made by Soltis.



Soltis with model boat and radio transmitter.

Church, Rev. R. N. Gill, George Harms, the Sunday school teacher, and Mrs. Charles Conradt, the interpreter received lovely gifts from their group.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fenton, daughter and son-in-law of the Griers, with their family spent Christmas in Wichita with their parents. The Fentons have rented their place near San Diego and left San Francisco for Honolulu, Hawaii, where they will be located for three years while Mr. Fenton serves as an instructor in a Navy air group.

It was almost "all Wichita" at the watch night party on Dec. 31 in the IOOF Hall, put on by the Wichita Frats. The weather was inclement in parts of the state, so there were not many outsiders at the party. Everyone had a good time and gave the new year a very warm welcome.

Jesse Lehman, Olathe, spent several days during the Christmas holidays in Great Bend with some relatives and enjoyed the Frat watch night party in Wichita.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lahn, Council Bluffs, Ia., spent their Christmas vacation with his folks in Wichita and took in the watch night party.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Astle of Colorado Springs spent his week's vacation during the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Cora Astle in Wichita. They also enjoyed their visit with friends at the Frat watch night party.

Mrs. Arthur Sherman left Olathe not long ago to join her husband in Washington, D.C., where he has been working for several months.

Beverly Forney, Hutchinson, was the guest of honor at a bridal shower at the home of Mrs. Edward McGuire, Wichita, on January 4. Miss Forney was pleased with gifts received from other guests. Della Miller, co-hostess, assisted with serving the refreshments.

Henry Stucky, Murdock, retired from his work at Beech Aircraft Co. in Wichita on January 2 when he reached retirement age. He was reluctant to retire but had to follow the company policy.

Verna Howland, Wichita, the honoree at the bridal shower on January 10, received many nice things. Hostesses were Mrs. Edward McGuire and Pauline Conwell at the McGuire home.

We are sorry to see Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Scofield and family leave Wichita for San Diego, Calif., to make their home. They came to the WAD Hall Saturday night the 11th of January to bid their friends goodbye and left in the rain for the West. Most of his folks live in San Diego, so they will not be lonely. We wish them happiness and success in their new location.

The visitors at the WAD hall on January 11 were Mrs. Ray Puett and Mrs. Maggie Webb, both of Topeka, and James Dailey of near Grand Island, Neb. Mrs. Puett came to visit her sister, and Mrs. Webb came for the fun.

GEORGIA . . .

Georgia news is coming back!

The biggest and best piece of news in the past year, for the deaf of this city and state, was the purchase of a church of their own by the congregation of the Crusselle-Freeman Church of the Deaf, which has held its meetings in the St. Mark church for the past 55 years. Their new church, outgrown by its Episcopal congregation, is in West End and just right for the deaf; not too far from town, it is near a busy intersection and is valuable property that will increase in value. The church building is "a replica of a church built by Sir Christopher Wren in England—English Gothic style built in the form of a cruciform. It is constructed of heavy granite with a lifetime slate roof." The interior is beautifully finished in dark wood, and the pews are arranged in the form of a cross. In addition to a kitchen and a dining-meeting hall with a stage, a 10-room building for Sunday school and offices is included. Many members have pledged generously, some as much as \$500 and \$1000, and are earnestly working now for more funds. This church is INTERDENOMINATIONAL and open to all. A Deaf Center is being planned which will include quarters for the Sunday school, adult education, library, film center, fellowship hall, deaf organizations, and youth activities. This project is one to be proud of—and everyone should help. (Please send us a picture of that church.—Ed.)

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Edward Soltis is Model King

With 300 model planes, ships, and autos in his display of craftsmanship, Edward Soltis of Yonkers, New York, has been called Westchester's Model King.

Deaf since a childhood illness, Soltis has been making his craftsmanship speak for him, winning many prizes in hobby shows and crafts competition.

His latest creation, a radio-controlled three-foot model of a Catalina flying bridge cabin cruiser, tested recently over a "Tri-o-rama" obstacle course for model craft at Parsippany, N. J., came through with flying colors and approbation of marine engineers. The model, built to the last detail in accordance with large-scale manufacturer's designs, will be exhibited at dealer salesrooms and motor boat shows.

Trained in carpentry, electrical and home mechanics, and mechanical drawing at the New York School for the Deaf, Soltis learned the rudiments of his hobby at an early age. He was also a star basketball center at the school, and was graduated a lieutenant in the military unit.

His interest in water craft started with a recent purchase of a 16-foot outboard speedboat, which he skippered to a regatta victory last summer. Starting with the rough wood and using kit material only sparingly, he made the model cruiser in three months.

Soltis is a member of the Academy of Model Aeronautics and Corinthian Yacht Club.

Convention Dates

Letters have been sent out to officers of all state and other associations of the deaf requesting dates and sites of their 1958 conventions.

If your organization has not already taken care of this request, please send the information at once to the N.A.D. home office.

SWinging . . .

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Our annual Christmas tree party was held in the West End Church. The attendance broke all records, and the program was beautiful and inspiring. Rev. and Mrs. Tuma and their committees deserve our heartfelt thanks and praise for their untiring work and preparations. It was a Merry Christmas for all!

Visitors in Atlanta recently: Warren Yeagan of Tennessee; and the Bankstons of Detroit, all of whom formerly lived here . . . Moving back to Atlanta Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Otten of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and the Ross Johnsons, Jr., and young son from N.C. Traveling: Mrs. John Stallings spent two weeks in Norfolk, Va., visiting relatives and had a wonderful time . . . Percy Ligon Jr., went solo to Washington, D.C., to spend Christmas with his sister, Pamela, who is attending Gallaudet College . . . And Muriel, herself, spent Thanksgiving in Alexandria, Va., and Washington with her son and his family and got away before the 12-inch snow storm hit them up there.

Atlanta will be host to the 15th Annual AAAD Basketball Tourney in 1959, and that's next year—children! The committee in charge of arrangements hopes to secure the Alexander Memorial Coliseum for the games. This building costing four million is a memorial to the late Coach W. A. Alexander of Georgia Tech; very modern in design, it seats 7,000 and has one of the finest floors in the country. Owned by GEORGIA TECH—it is right in town a few blocks from the Biltmore Hotel, and we do hope they can get it.

BABIES . . . The Ernest Hartsfields are parents to a lovely baby girl. Also grandparents for the first time are Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Freeman, whose granddaughter Christine Louise is eight months old. The R. P. Rivers, with 20 grandchildren, have added a great-granddaughter to the list. Going to break the record perhaps! There were so many beautiful babies and toddlers at the tree party, we wanted to get pictures to show you a whole page of them some time.

ILLINOIS . . .

The Chicago Club recently elected officers for 1958, and those voted into office were: Art Shawl, president; Abe Migatz, first vice-president; John Fuhr, second vice president; Werner A. Schultz, secretary; Sarah Tanzar, financial secretary; and Hope Wm. Porter, treasurer. John Cummings was elected trustee for a three-year term, and hold-over trustees are Walter Hodgson and Robey Burns. Two board members elected were David Spanjer and Edward J. Mastny.

An affair held at the CCD on December 22 found the following members lucky winners of turkeys: John Sevik, Anton Tanzar, Johnny Alberti, Edward McCarthy, and Arthur Belling. John's, incidentally, weighed a hefty 17 pounds.

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Sifting the Sands . . .

By Roger M. Falberg

1648 Holmes Avenue, Racine, Wis.

A couple of issues back Durward Young of Michigan asked: "Why is it that so few deaf teachers come forward to assist their state associations?" Lawrence Newman of Riverside, California, who was literary editor of the Gallaudet College *Buff and Blue* in the days when this columnist was but a fledgling assistant editor, tries his hand at sifting the sands:

"The number of deaf teachers in most schools for the deaf is small, anywhere from one to fifteen," he argues. "If four out of ten deaf teachers in a school for the deaf support their state association the percentage suddenly becomes large, 40 percent in this case. Yet there is a tendency to be needled by the recalcitrant six. If each state association leader could get 25 percent of the deaf in his state to become members of his association he is achieving a near miracle. There are varying reasons for the reluctance of some deaf teachers to join their state associations, but this is beside the point. The point is that energies could be better expended towards making the state association a better setup than to quibble or throw darts or select a minority group for a scapegoat."

Mr. Newman goes on to point out that the president of the California Association of the Deaf is a teacher and that deaf teachers of Riverside played host to a state convention of the association. He points to the Montana, Rome (N.Y.), and Texas Schools, where deaf teachers are very active in their state associations, and concludes his letter with the statement: "Finally, in the National Association of the Deaf itself you will find the top leaders are deaf teachers."

Thank you, Mr. Newman. Anybody else want to get a word in edgewise?

One of the hot potatoes this column has not yet been rash enough to grab from the fire has been the issue of whether or not the deaf should receive special tax consideration such as that given to the blind.

At times, withering under the burden of excessive taxation—and especially in April when the deadline comes around—such special consideration has appeared very, very attractive to me. But viewed in the cold glare of logic, I simply cannot go along with a theory that argues? "We want equality in job opportunities, education, social stand-

ing, and everything else—but spare us from the responsibilities that come with equality!"

If we wish to be considered citizens, equal to all other citizens, then we must share the burdens carried by all other citizens. And that goes double for taxation.

Then, too, on the more practical side, how would you plan such special exemption in a way that would prevent everybody with a hearing aid from jumping on the band wagon? One estimate I have read placed the number of hard-of-hearing and deaf people in the United States at four million. In times like these, when our peacetime budget is the highest ever due to military needs, can you picture Congress doling out four million tax exemptions?

Would you try to weed out the hard-of-hearing? How? There are ways, such as physicians' certificates, etc., but are complicated and expensive.

And, finally, we would lose what has been one of our best arguments in getting government grants for surveys, vocational education, and similar benefits for the deaf. Right now, we are able to tell legislators, "Yes, it is expensive to set up projects for the deaf; but when, as a result of such projects, the deaf are employed in better-paying jobs, the projects will pay for themselves by giving the government added tax revenue."

Remove this business-like approach and what have you? We would be reduced to the status of beggars!

Oh yes . . . one thing more. Supposing that special tax exemption were granted to the deaf, you can bet your last cent that the crippled, epileptic, disabled war veterans, and every other group of handicapped people would be right behind you, clamoring for their own tax exemptions. What then?

Congress, once pushed in this direction, must go all the way. With so many billions lost because of special exemptions, taxes must rise, because government spending would not decrease. And then where are you?

Right back where you started from!

Do you want special tax consideration at the expense of better educational facilities, job opportunities, and general equality for the deaf; especially when, in the end, you may wind up paying the same amount of taxes you are paying now? I think not.



Monsignor Reilly in front of the Oakland Catholic center with some of his deaf friends.

Catholic Leader Transferred

Last October the Catholic deaf and hard-of-hearing of the bay area surrounding San Francisco and Oakland feted Monsignor William F. Reilly on his 25th anniversary as director of the deaf and hard-of-hearing. He received several gifts as tokens of appreciation of his long and useful service to the cause. He expressed himself as touched by the demonstration and expressed the hope that he would continue to serve them for many more years.

However, Monsignor Reilly was selected by the Archbishop of San Francisco to become the pastor of the important parish of Sacred Heart Church in Oakland. He was installed at a ceremony on February 9, and among the audience were a large number of his former parishioners. They gave him their best wishes for success although they regretted very much the parting.

To take the place of Monsignor Reilly, Father Michael O'Brien was chosen director of St. Joseph Center for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing—a worthy choice as Father O'Brien had been assisting in this work for a number of years.

SWinging . . .

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The clubrooms were jammed Tuesday night, December 31, when local lites gathered to welcome in the New Year. In charge of the big event was Leonard Warshawsky and the other members who make up the 1958 AAAD Basketball Tournament Committee. They are working so hard for the tour-

ney, which takes place here in Chicago April 9th to 12th, that we feel they deserve mention herein. John M. Tubergen, is general chairman, and Robey Burns is secretary. Treasurer is Joseph Nemecek, Jr., and Lenny Warshawsky handles publicity. Others are Ben Estrin, tickets; Abe Migatz, hotel reservations; Richard Tantar, trophies; with John Fuhr and Virginia Fitzgerald in charge of all entertainment. Mattie Roy will handle refreshments, and completing the committee are Gordon M. Rice, Raymond Hage, David Spanjer, Sarah Tantar, Albert Maierhofer, and Joseph Zinkovich. Headquarters will be the Morrison Hotel, and those attending are urged to contact Abe Migatz for room reservations.

The Southtown Club of the Deaf threw open the doors of their new clubhouse the evening of November 23. The new location is 5832 S. Western Ave. in the Gage Park District. The two-story structure, formerly a tavern, has been remodelled into a first class clubroom, with the help of all the membership, and the open house was a most successful and enjoyable affair.

MISSOURI . . .

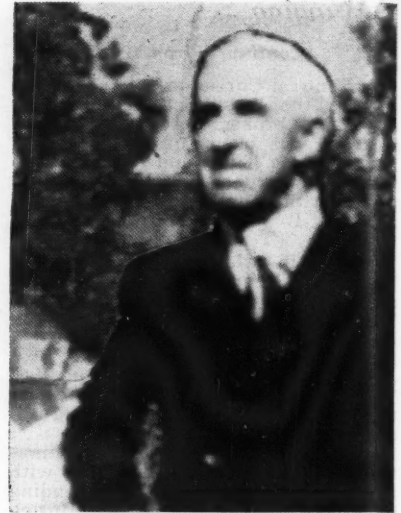
Greater Kansas City now has a Catholic group called St. Cadoc Club for the Deaf in honor of St. Cadoc. The group had a big event on November 21, serving a Thanksgiving dinner under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Bill Nedrow and Mrs. Ralph Williams. About 125, along with four priests, attended the dinner, which consisted of four tom turkeys with all the trimmings. Rev. M. Finnerty is the chaplain of the St. Cadoc Club of the Deaf.

John Bollig injured his left hand at work on December 18, necessitating skin grafting. He didn't lose any fingers, but the skin was torn badly between the thumb and forefinger. John and his wife live in Olathe, but John commutes to his cabinet-making job in North Kansas City, Mo.

Mrs. Calvin Nininger (nee LeeOda Flaspohler) and daughter Karen flew from Seattle to Kansas City on November 18 and then went on to Glasgow, Mo., to be with LeeOda's father, who was very ill. He passed away on December 18. We extend our sympathy to LeeOda and her family.

The annual Christmas party of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf was on December 21. A very nice program was presented and Santa Claus (Albert Stack) gave presents to the children and some of the older members. We were surprised to see Mrs. Calvin Nininger and daughter Karen and the Herbert Votaws of Denver in our club.

The St. Cadoc Club for the Deaf served a hot supper and had a Christmas program after their Sunday mass on December 22. Pat and Phil Graybill and Donna La Plante, students at the Kansas School for the Deaf, gave some songs and stories on the program, along with Bob Morrie, who played Santa. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Milam Butler (nee Dorothy Weber) of Dallas, Texas, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fisher (nee Betty Weber) and daughters of Cedar Rapids, Ia., who were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nedrow over



George H. Denton, who passed away in Wichita, Kansas, on November 19, at the age of 88. He is survived by his wife, Edna, a sister, Mrs. Ida Hughes of Fulton, Mo., two sons, and a grandson.

the weekend of Dec. 21. Dorothy, Betty, and Mrs. Nedrow (nee Maude Weber) are sisters.

Shirley Hanrahan, sophomore at Galaudet, came to Olathe for her Christmas vacation with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Thaine Ayers.

Mr. and Mrs. James Curtis' second son was injured when the "murphy bed" fell on him last December. The boy is still in Mercy Hospital, where he is improving, but will have skin grafting done on his head where one spot is unhealed.

Miss Catherine Kilcoyne, teacher at the Kansas School, was very sick and spent her Christmas vacation in the Olathe Hospital with rheumatism of the nerves. She is much improved at this writing and is back at the school.

Georgetta Graybill had as her guests Mrs. Violet Carriacut, Doris Schmollinger, Ray Corbin, and Harry Gallaher over the weekend of Dec. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat McPherson are the proud owners of a tri-level house at 6612 Kimball, Kansas City, Kans. Congrats to Pat and Jane on their new home—their first!

Norman Steele spent one week of his vacation during the week of Dec. 29 in Chicago and Toledo, welcoming in the New Year at the Toledo Club for the Deaf.

The Heart of America Club for the Deaf closed the hall at 817 Delaware January 31 and hereafter will meet elsewhere. They will keep up their annual Singles Bowling Tournament in May with its \$200.00 prize and a trophy.

Louis Joe Weber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weber of Olathe, was transferred from Kansas City to St. Louis for a temporary position. He is in the U. S. Coast Guard.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA . . .

The DCCD basketball team played Roanoke, Va., on January 18 and won the game by the score of 103 to 85. Thanks to good publicity and the drawing power of the '57 champions of the SEAAD tourney, there was a grand total of 220 paid admissions—the biggest crowd in years! We hope the spirit remains as good for the February 22 game with the Imperials from New York. On January 25 the team went to New York to play the Pelicans and lost by eight points, 84 to 76.

John Wurdeman is up and around after being confined to bed for almost a month with an attack of flu followed by pneumonia. We are glad to see him with us again.

Miss Vivian Baker of Nebraska and Mr. Fletcher Smith of Florida have announced their engagement and are planning on an April 12 wedding.

Dig these lucky people! Jose Berrios traded his '56 Pontiac for a '58 Dodge, and Mark Kleberg traded in his '52 Chevy for a '58 Nash station wagon.

Elizabeth Daulton, nee Douglas, (Montana) and Walter Ailstock, (West Virginia) were married in Arlington, Virginia, on January 2. Congratulations are in order.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Turk have welcomed a new addition to the family, an 8 lb. 6 oz. girl, Marianne, who joins a brother, Frank, Jr.

A baby shower was given for Mrs. C. Y. Hundley, nee Nannie Woods, on Sunday afternoon, February 2, in the DCCD clubrooms. There were 56 ladies present, and she received many lovely gifts for the coming event, mostly in yellow. Mr. and Mrs. Hundley have bought a brand new three-bedroom house in the Barcroft Lake area of Fairfax, Virginia, and plan to move in sometime after the middle of February.

Mr. and Mrs. James McVernon were called to Pittsburgh the last week of January on account of the death of Mrs. McVernon's cousin. At present their daughter, son-in-law, and two grandchildren are visiting them while awaiting assignment to an army base in Minnesota.

Vincent Robinson, ex-GPO printer, passed away after a heart attack on January 20. He was only 43. Our sympathy goes to the bereaved family.

A surprise pre-Christmas party was tendered Mrs. Margaret C. Boswell, one of the oldest residents of Washington, at her home on the evening of Dec. 19. She was given a miniature Christmas tree beautifully trimmed, a turkey, a decorated basket of fruit and nuts and other yuletide goodies, and a substantial sum of cash. The happy occasion was arranged by Mrs. Nellie Gentry and Mrs. Lucille Cissel, assisted by Mrs. Maggie Phelps and Mrs. Willye Carter.

COLORADO . . .

Daisy Mayfield of Denver and William Albrecht, Jr., of Rocky Ford were married on January 4 at Grace Brethren Church, Denver. After a honeymoon to California and Mexico they are now at home in Rocky Ford, where Bill has been in upholstery business

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The Silent Printer

By Ray F. Stallo

440 Miriam Way, Route 1

Colton, California



"I was still in bed although fully awake when the house shook as though a giant hand had picked it up. A large mirror on the wall was dancing violently, and I could feel the china dishes in the pantry falling from their shelves and breaking." That's how Silent Printer Alvin T. Dyson began the story of his experiences in the great earthquake and fire in San Francisco on April 18, 1906. The first shock occurred at 5:06 a.m. and was followed by aftershocks of lesser intensity for days.

Brother Dyson, having graduated from the Ohio State School for the Deaf at Columbus, had worked his way west following the trade he had learned in school. Eventually landing in San Francisco, he secured a situation at the Hayden Printing Company on Kearney Street, not far from the world famous Chinatown. Brother Dyson was cylinder press feeder, a classification which has long ago vanished, that having been taken over by automatic feeders.

Continuing his story, Brother Dyson, told how the water and gas mains were broken and described the torn streets and streetcar tracks bent into every shape. A second heavy quake at noon leveled the city hall, and by that time fire was beginning to spread. Brother Dyson recalls eating at a restaurant just a few blocks from the fire which was soon engulfed in the flames. Many of the injured were taken to an improvised first aid station and hospital set up in the well known Mechanics' Pavilion, which soon had to be evacuated because of the spreading fire. That night over two miles of raging flames made an awe-inspiring sight.

Soon martial law was declared and was enforced by troops of the regular army stationed at the Presidio in San Francisco Bay. No cooking was permitted in houses, and no lights were allowed. Cooking had to be done outside over open fires on the sidewalk. Many people were without food, and bread lines were set up where bread and milk were served. The flames raged on out of control for nearly a week and were checked only by dynamiting and

demolishing buildings in the path of the fire by use of army artillery to contain the fire.

Brother Dyson tells how the deaf resented the rule against lights at night. Hearing people could converse in the dark, but the deaf had to have light to sign. He tells how a group of deaf gathered in his room on the second floor of his house and covered the windows with blankets so that their lights could not be seen from the street, they hoped. They were thoroughly enjoying their talk when a heavy thumping was felt at the door. There was a soldier with his rifle at the ready who ordered them to put out the lights in no uncertain terms. Only later did Brother Dyson learn that his figure could be seen through the blanket he had at the window and that the soldier was aiming his rifle at the figure ready to shoot when the hearing people downstairs stopped him and told him that the folks upstairs were deaf and so did not hear his shouted orders.

Another time Brother Dyson visited the print shop and was inspecting the paper stock room to see what damage had been done when he felt a sharp jab in the back. Turning, he found a soldier with a bayoneted rifle prodding him. The soldier thought that Brother Dyson was a looter, and it was a miracle that he was not shot, since the soldiers had orders to shoot all looters they found.

This is a very interesting story and one which we could pry out of Brother Dyson only by dint of much coaxing. Now 81 years of age and just about as spry as any spring chicken, Brother Dyson is living in Los Angeles, where he moved not long after the quake. Graduating to full journeyman pressman after a time, he worked steadily at the trade in and around Los Angeles until his retirement a few years ago. It might be noted that Brother Dyson is a long time member of Los Angeles Division No. 27, NFSD, and seldom misses a meeting.

No, we haven't dyed our platinum blonde beard. The cut just got dirty on the long journey from California to Tennessee. We are sending the type cleaner formula.

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Swinging . . .

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since his graduation from the Colorado School several years ago. Congratulations to the newlyweds.

George Dietz, Adams City, underwent an operation in Denver on January 5 and is now at home.

Mrs. Dorothy Puzick, Colorado Springs, was seriously injured in a fall from a ladder in her home on the night of December 3 and was taken to the Glocker-Penrose Hospital, where she underwent two serious operations to correct injuries resulting from the fall. She is much improved at this writing but will not be able to return to her job at the Colorado School for a while.

Word was received on January 7 that Mrs. Audrey Garretson (nee Watson) passed away at her parents' home in Wyoming on December 30. She was a graduate of the Colorado School and of Gallaudet College and was a teacher in the Maryland, Montana, and Utah Schools.

Mrs. Helen Bruce became a grandmother for the tenth time when a boy was born to her oldest son's wife on December 28. Mrs. Bruce spent Christmas Day with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Shields, in Canon City.

The Pike's Peak Silent Club held its New Year's party on Saturday, December 28, with a large crowd attending. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Blankis were in charge of the food, and Melvin Haptonstall directed the games and dancing. From Denver came Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dowds, Albert Jones, John and Bernardo Salazar, Jerome Aregi, John Flores, and David Horkans, and Eddie Gallegos was over from Pueblo.

Bryce Kerr, a graduate of the Colorado School, now attending Gallaudet, spent the Christmas holidays with his family at Rocky Ford. He attended the Pike's Peak Silent Club party and was also seen in Denver on December 31 at the SAC's party.

Antoinette Kaes has completed her course at Blair Business College and now is employed at the Preferred Risk Insurance Company.

The Silent Athletic Club of Denver sponsored the New Year's party this year for the benefit of the coming Midwest Athletic Association for the Deaf basketball tournament fund. A large crowd came up from Colorado Springs to help: Bill Lamm, Robert Gardner, the William Henrys, Roland Lay, the Melvin Haptonstalls, the Philip Hollingsworths, the Hobbs (recently moved to the Springs from Iowa), Sally Ascota, Antoinette Kaes, Dee Haptonstall, Elmer Gaddie, Herman Butler, Milfred Venrick, Andy Vigil, John Pat Warriner, the Carl Blankises, and Barbara Markley. The Lorenz Downeys from Pueblo, as well as Eddie Gallegos, were there.

The Tom Collinses left by car December 14 for a three-month visit with daughter Jean in Richmond, Calif. The Collinses planned to stop in Phoenix, Arizona, for a visit with Mr. and Mrs.

Max Carr, former Denverites, and then were to meet Jean in Las Vegas, Nevada, before proceeding to Richmond.

Floyd Bolin, a spry little man of 91, is much improved after an operation performed in November. Mr. Bolin moved to Denver from Indianapolis several years ago to make his home with a daughter.

Mrs. Margaret Herbold spent Christmas with her daughter and family at Rantoul Field, Ill. Margaret left Denver December 19 and returned January 1.

Others who took trips during the holidays were: Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Janovick to Los Angeles to visit a son; Mr. and Mrs. James Tuskey to visit a son and daughter in the Bay Area; and Mr. and Mrs. John Kilthau to visit a daughter in Oakland.

Richard Cecil is now able to drive his car with hand controls and expects to stay at home after being in the hospital since August with an attack of polio. He will make daily trips to the hospital for therapy treatments.

This is quoted from the October-November issue of The Sugar Press, a monthly organ of Great Western Sugar Company in Fort Morgan, Colo.: "Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Urbach traveled by plane to Chicago for three days to visit Conrad's brother, who is vice president of the CB&Q and Colorado & Southern Railroad there. They also visited an aunt and uncle of Mrs. Urbach's in Toledo, Ohio, and her daughter and father in Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Urbach's daughter is attending a medical university there."

The Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Light of Boston, Mass., visited a son in Denver over Christmas and called on Rev. and Mrs. Homer Grace on December 25. On Sunday, December 29, Dr. Light assisted Rev. Grace at the communion service and preached the sermon.

Mrs. Bessie Veditz, Denver, was quite ill recently but has recovered. Maud Lessley, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Lessley, was in Denver over the holidays. Another daughter, Helen, with her husband, returned to Phoenix with Maud and then went on to Los Angeles and San Diego to watch the Tournament of Roses parade.

CALIFORNIA . . .

The marriage of Bonnie Rose Conant and Lynton Chandler Rider was solemnized at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 25 at the First Baptist Church for the Deaf in Los Angeles, with a large gathering of friends attending both the wedding and the reception which followed. The Rev. Hower officiated, with Herman Skedsmo of Compton giving the bride away. Many lovely gift items were showered on the happy couple, who will make their home in Lawndale.

Mrs. McClure, a resident of the California Home for the Aged Deaf in Los Angeles, passed away during December, and Mr. Wales of National City died January 10.

Robert Matthews brought his new bride, nee Rae Furlow, to the Long Beach Club January 25, where all

were much pleased to make her acquaintance. Rae was recently honored with two wedding showers, one by Mrs. O'Neal Cross of Santa Ana and the other by Mrs. V. B. Harvey and Mrs. P. D. Hatten of Arlington.

Club elections this month included those of Inglewood and Long Beach. Alex Brogan is the new Inglewood president with Gordon Lincoln as vice president, Ed Schyuler, secretary, and Thaine Smith, treasurer. Trustees are Alex Brogan, Mrs. David McClary, and Alex Spiak. Athletic director is Richard Parker. Results of the Long Beach election were: Art C. Johnson, president; Virgil Grimes, vice-president; Catherine Deasee, secretary; Fred Gries, treasurer, and the board of trustees include Cora Park, Mike Deasee, and Earl Harmonson. On the building fund committee, established in 1957, are Ellen Grimes, Mary Mendoza, Joe Park, Jerry Fail, and Cora Park.

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Matthews-Furlow

Robert Gene Matthews of Garden Grove, California, and Miss Iva Rae Furlow of Pomona were married late in January in Southgate, Calif., at the Chapel of the Deaf, with the Rev. Oliver La Mont officiating.

Following the ceremony approximately 75 guests gathered at a reception. Mrs. Doris Hatten served the cake, and Miss Jean Wagers presided at the punch bowl. Others assisting were Mms. C. B. Harvey and Joe Combee.

The honeymoon was spent at Apple Valley, and the newlyweds now reside at Garden Grove.

The bride was educated at the Louisiana School for the Deaf, and the groom received his education at Carl Junction, Mo.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jones of Des Moines, Iowa, were honored in November on their 25th anniversary; 75 of their friends gathered with them at their church and later at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Montgomery, where they were presented with a cash gift to purchase something for their home.

SWinging . . .

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A baby son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Coy Sigman of Hawthorne December 19. 'Tis a family made up of boys so far, and little Tony Gray weighed in at just under ten pounds.

Lucy Sigman boarded an American Airlines plane December 19 bound for Hot Springs and Little Rock, Arkansas, where she spent her Christmas vacation with her mother and a weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Shibley.

Vinton and Margaret Conant are driving a white and aqua 1957 Chevrolet station wagon these days. Margaret was laid off from her job at North American Aviation during November, and Vinton was transferred temporarily to NAA's Autonetics plant in North Long Beach. Quite a few of the deaf employed at NAA have been laid off, and more lay-offs were in prospect for the first of February.

The California Home for the Aged Deaf celebrated their "mortgage burning" by sponsoring a dinner program at the Polish Library Association Auditorium, 4434 Crenshaw Boulevard, Los Angeles, the afternoon of Sunday, February 2. Quite a large gathering showed up to partake of the dinner, and the event was successful financially as well as socially.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Neitzie of San Diego have made a contribution to the Home for the Aged in the form of a check, and the donation was made in memory of Earl Beasley, who died last June. The Home thanks you, Peggie and Vincent!

Did you know that John Fail has three very fine wrist watches? The third and latest was won at a drawing held during the recent Pierpoint Landing Stag Party. A week later John won a GE sandwich grill at a similar gathering, so now Jerry has two grills.

Many thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell of Los Angeles and Victoria Cookson of Long Beach for the enjoyable evening of movies at the Long Beach Club Saturday evening, January 25. Mr. and Mrs. Russell and Vic were among those who took color films during last summer's trip to Italy and the CISS games, and they enjoy sharing the interesting movies with their friends. We hear that Roger Skinner's films of the Italian jaunt are also very, very good, and it is hoped that the membership of the Long Beach organization will soon have an opportunity to view Roger's movies also, since so many have expressed such a desire. Shown recently at the Los Angeles and Inglewood Clubs, Roger's movies attracted goodly crowds.

The John Fails spent four days visiting Johnny and Louise Fail up at Alameda's Coast Guard base during mid-January. Louise has been confined to Oak Knoll Hospital in Oakland for almost a month suffering from rheumatic fever, and Johnny departed the end of January for sea duty up at Eureka, a three-week stint which he describes as a drag-and-a-half. The Fails stopped over at Fresno both coming and going to visit their family and friends. And did you hear how John dropped some two hundred bucks at the Las Vegas tables just recently? He didn't bat an eye, so fishing must be pretty good!

The three little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brinker are proudly showing off their new baby brother, Joseph, these days. The baby, born December 16, was among the many born locally just before Christmas, and we envy the happy families their wonderful Christmas presents.

Clarence H. Doane, a resident of Los Angeles for more than fifty years, is now living in nearby Los Alamitos, where his son bought a beautiful new Rossmoor home in December. Mr. Doane's new address is 2671 St. Albans Drive, Los Alamitos, California.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to Mrs. Lillian Wade and her sons, Raymond, Lyle, and Wallace, upon the passing of Weber Wade January 10. Mr. and Mrs. Wade came to San Diego some forty years ago, and many will regret to hear of Weber's passing.

Gladys Price Campbell of San Francisco has taken up temporary residence in San Diego, and it took her quite some time to locate her old chum and schoolmate, Peggie Neitzie. Needless to relate, the two young women are enjoying a gladsome reunion after some twelve long years.

Quite a few people from up Los Angeles way were down in San Diego January 10 to attend the annual banquet held by the Baptist Church for the Deaf. San Diego residents are always delighted to entertain visitors, and many are anticipating the annual Fiesta Ball late in the summer. (Last year the annual Fiesta Ball occurred on August 3 and was attended by

more than 500 persons, mostly from the L. A. area. We're hoping to hear from you San Diego people in regard to the date of this year's event.—News Ed.)

Mr. and Mrs. W. Berg of South Bend, Indiana, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Fuller in San Diego. The Bergs plan a three-months visit and are delighting in the beauty and warmth of the southern California climate.

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Audrey Garretson

The untimely passing away of Audrey Watson Garretson comes as a shock to all who knew her. Audrey passed away peacefully in her sleep on Sunday, December 29, 1957, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watson, in Sundance, Wyoming. At the time of her death she was a member of the faculty of the Utah School for the Deaf, as a teacher in the advanced grades. She had also taught at the Montana School and the Maryland School before coming to Utah.

Audrey had been in Utah for only a short time, but during this time she had won many friends. Everyone who met her liked her. She graduated from the Colorado School at the age of 15 and entered Gallaudet College, where her scholastic record was the highest in her class.

Audrey had beautiful funeral services and was laid to rest in the beautiful mountain cemetery at Sundance, Wyoming, on January 2, 1958. Surviving besides her parents are two daughters, Randy and Shelly, and one son, Kim, and two sisters.—Don Jensen of the Utah School faculty.

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SWinging . . .

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Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Burress of Los Angeles have returned from a recent motor tour which took them through several dozen states to New York City and back. Mr. Burress' account of the trip was most interesting, and, if only we had stopped to make a few notes, we would be able to tell you more of the wonderful journey. That's the trouble . . . we cannot trust our memory anymore . . . getting absentminded in our old age.

On the other hand, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Krieger, nee Mary L. Bennett, jotted down a few pertinent facts re-

garding their recent trip which took them, via motor, through Las Vegas, Bryce and Zion Canyon, in Utah and to Boulder Dam and the Grand Canyon in Nevada. Highlight of the journey was Mary's reunion, after 30 years, with a cousin in Las Vegas who took them on a tour of the famed Strip and saw them off to Palm Springs before their return to Long Beach.

In November, Mrs. Krieger was called to Tennessee by the sudden death of her mother, who had retired only a month before from her job as teacher at the Tennessee Vocational School for Girls, a position she had held for 28 years.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Scherr of Baltimore, Md., who spent

a greater part of 1957 visiting in southern California, will be interested in the contents of a letter just received. In it Mrs. Scherr tells us that Jonas has returned home from a prolonged stay in a hospital, where he underwent surgery. At this writing, Jonas is improving, but the weather back there is hard on him, and he misses the sunny climes of California. The Scherrs speak warmly of the many friends they made back here and ask to be remembered to all of them. If you wish to write, the address is Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Scherr, 3905 W. Garrison Ave., Baltimore 15. (Jonas, you promised me you'd be coming back to Long Beach this spring. I am pining away for you! News Ed.)

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MONTANA . . .

The deaf people of Great Falls who were out of town during the Christmas holidays were: Mrs. Harold Johnson on a few days' vacation in Chicago with her parents; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Le Mieux and Jan who took a train to Stanley, North Dakota, to visit his parents; Alexander Balozzi who visited his girl friend, Colette Foley, in Chicago for two weeks; Flo Ellen Davisson and Vernon Hippe who made a trip in his new '58 Bel Air sport coupe to Indiana, traveling through Illinois, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas, Colorado, Utah, and Idaho to Montana; the Darwin Younggrens over to Kalispele with Gladys' folks several days; Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Herbold and Davy who spent Christmas and New Year's Day at their home in Hingham.

Nelly Nerhus came home to Billings from Gallaudet College for her Christmas vacation. She and her sister, Ingeborg, were at Great Falls for a New Year's party at Reno Wolf's place.

Clarice Petrick had a two-weeks' vacation in Montana.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Garretson have an addition to their family. It is Shelley Garretson, five years old. Her mother, Audrey, passed away December 29, leaving her to her father. The Garretsons are expecting one more addition some time in March. They have two other girls, Randy and Kyrie.

NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY . . .

A boy, Harvey, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Katz on Christmas Eve. The little Christmas present weighed in at eight pounds. Others who are expecting new arrivals are Mesdames Samuel Lewis, Vincent Pizzo, and George Bedford, all of whom already have one child apiece.

A New Year's Eve party took place

at the home of Albert and Peggy Hlibok, and those invited to attend and welcome in 1958 were Jerker Andersson of Sweden, Nancy Timko of Trenton, Mr. and Mrs. William Simpson of North Carolina, and Messrs. and Mesdames Bernard Rothenberg, Lester Zimet, and James Epstein. A huge steak dinner climaxed the wonderful event.

Alfred Weinrib and Selma Warman announced their engagement recently, as did Gloria Wende. Gloria and her fiancé, who lives in Buffalo, are plan-

ning a fall wedding.

Tupperware parties have been held at the homes of Mrs. Bernard Rothenberg and Mrs. Ruth Stern. About 16 ladies attended each gathering and liked the demonstrations so much they bought just about everything.

Mrs. Herbert Rothenberg's uncle has just arrived in town (N. Y.) from Israel. Herta last saw him when she was just a mere baby, and so it was quite a happy reunion for them. He plans to make his home here in the United States.



CHECKMATE!

By "Loco" Ladner



Font and Bostwick are Champions

Our hearty congratulations to Juan F. Font of New York City and John W. Bostwick of Pataskala, Ohio, upon winning the A and B tournaments respectively. With only two games to go, Juan is far in the lead with a score of 14½-1½, while John finished with 8-2. In the running for second place are Leitson, 12½-5½, (completed); Chauvenet, 12-5 (one game left); Stevenson, 9½-5½ (three games); Kannapell, 9-5 (four games); Ladner, 10-3 (five games). In the B tournament, Arthur Yule and Joe Gemar are battling for second. Latest results: Chauvenet drew with Kannapell and defeated Rosenkjar, while Ladner and Leitson drew for the second time. Stevenson drew with Rosenkjar, and Shipley resigned to Ladner.

While this tournament is being finished, we are starting the fifth A and B tournaments. As soon as entries come in, we are going to start them playing, so don't wait if you wish to enter.

The following game was played in the Mike Cohen Memorial Chess Tournament last fall. J. W. Stevenson cinched his first place by defeating Ed Shipley, who took second:

White: Ed Shipley

Black: J. W. Stevenson

1. P-Q4 P-Q4
2. P-KN3 P-K3
3. B-N2 N-KB3
4. N-KB3 QN-Q2
5. P-K3 B-N5 ch
6. B-Q2 B-K2
7. N-QB3 P-QB4
8. N-K2 Q-O
9. O-O PxP
10. PxP P-QN3
11. R-K1 B-N2
12. P-QB3 N-K5
13. N-B4 NxB
14. NxN B-N4
15. N-Q3 R-B1

16. N-K5 R-K1
17. NxN (a) QxN
18. P-QN3 (b) RxP
19. N-B3 B-B3
20. Q-Q2 KR-QB1
21. KR-QB1 Q-B2
22. RxR QxR
23. QxQ RrQ
24. R-Q1 B-R3
25. R-Q2 (c) R-B8 ch
26. B-B1 RxB ch
27. K-N2 R-QB8
28. P-KR4 B-B8 ch
29. K-R2 B-N5
30. N-K5 BxN

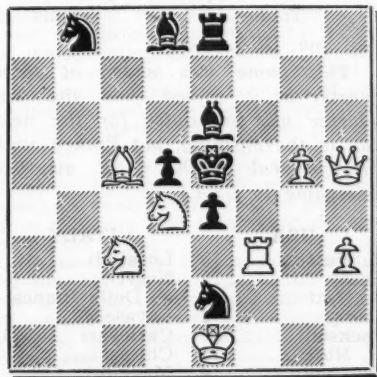
31. PxP B-B3
32. P-B3 P-B3

33. PxP PxP
34. P-KN4 P-K4 (d)

Comments by the Chess Editor:

- (a) Somewhat premature. Preferable is 17. P-KB4, followed by 18. QN-B3.
- (b) The first sign of weakness—losing a pawn without compensation.
- (c) Fatal! Loses a piece outright.
- (d) The game went on for several more moves before White resigned. He should have resigned at move 25. Not a good game, but it may teach others a good lesson or two.

BLACK



WHITE

White to play and mate in two moves.

You will be astounded by the key move of this problem. But take it from us, it works!

The key move for last month's problem is Q-K6. another very unlikely move.

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Sporting Around with Art Kruger

IT HAD BEEN our intention to let the International Games for the Deaf story at Milan, Italy, rest although there were so many good yarns left unwritten that the decision was tough.

However, we have been asked many times to print the box scores of the USA basketball games, so here they are:

USA		FINLAND	
C. Nutt	13	Aari	4
H. Nutt	10	A. Ikola	6
F. Nutt	13	S. Ikola	0
Jackson	8	Hofmeister	5
Passmore	6	Hummelin	0
Beaty	3	Kannisto	0
Lanig	3	Sandholm	9
Hargraves	1	Sneck	6

Totals 57 Totals 30
Halftime: USA, 26-13

USA		FRANCE	
C. Nutt	17	Duret	8
Beaty	0	Guirmand	0
F. Nutt	7	Laperette	0
Lanig	4	Nanleau	2
Jackson	15	Couprie	1
H. Nutt	6	Paillet	1
Passmore	2	Brel	0
Hargraves	0	Pawlikowski	0

Totals 51 Totals 12
Halftime: USA, 33-10

(This game was ended at third quarter as it rained, and the last quarter was scheduled for the next day in the morning, but France, with the approval of the CISS, awarded this game to USA.)

USA		ITALY	
C. Nutt	13	Locatelli	5
Beaty	15	Negri	4
F. Nutt	29	V. Della Bianca	4
Lanig	2	Lavaselli	7
Jackson	10	Carlevari	13
H. Nutt	15	Chiesa	1
Passmore	4	Maggiori	5
Hargraves	1	M. Della Bianca	0

Totals 89 Totals 39
Halftime: USA, 43-18

USA		BELGIUM	
C. Nutt	21	U. Werbrouck	2
Beaty	3	V. Van Laer	2
F. Nutt	20	C. Van Laer	7
Lanig	7	Vander Bogaert	2
Jackson	21	Dorn	12
H. Nutt	9	G. Werbrouck	0

Passmore	0	De Vare	0
Hargraves	0	Hirsch	0
Totals	81	Totals	25
Halftime: USA,	41-12		

Tubb Honored at Benton Tilt

The Saline (Ark.) County community paid its tribute last November 8 to Lonnie Tubb, Benton shoe shop proprietor, who coached the USA basketball team to the championship of the International Games for the Deaf at Milan, Italy, last summer.

The tribute was under the auspices of the Benton-Bauxite Chamber of Commerce during the half-time of the Benton High Panthers' traditional football wrangle with the Malvern High Leopards, which was attended by some 4,000 fans.

Over the loudspeaker system Henry Finkbeiner, former athletic great at Benton High School and Henderson State Teachers College, reviewed the accomplishments of Mr. Tubb.

On the 50-yard line, Benton Mayor George L. Troutt presented a plaque to Mr. Tubb. During the game Lonnie was seated in a reserved section.

Lonnie has a son, Norman, who is a star back for the Benton Panther machine.

N.C. Students Honor Ted McBride

We are pleased to note in *The Morganton (N.C.) News-Herald* that the student body of the North Carolina School for the Deaf honored its most famous athlete last September 18 in a welcome back program in the auditorium of the school.

Ted McBride, who returned from Milan, Italy, after participating in the International Games for the Deaf, was presented a gift of a desk lamp by Billy Williams and Emily Whiteside, NCSD students, on behalf of the student body.

The student body requested the ceremony be held and contributed funds to buy the gift. Ben E. Hoffmeyer, superintendent of the school, presided at the program.

McBride won first place in the 100-meter high hurdles and third place in



AAU swim Queen Gillian Hall, now at Gallaudet College, shows Dr. Edmund Boatner, superintendent of the American School for the Deaf, clippings of her winning the championship as national junior women's solo synchronized swimmer.

the 400-meter low hurdles. Winning third place in the 400-meter hurdles was considered a big accomplishment as McBride had never run the event before.

Since graduation in 1955, McBride has been on the maintenance staff at the state hospital in Morganton and played in the Industrial Basketball League last winter.

Quote, Anthony Papalia

Thanks to Tony Papalia for his fine piece on our recent International Games for the Deaf in the recent number of the *Arizona Cactus*. He has echoed exactly the feelings that we have been entertaining from the start. Here's what he has to say about the Games:

The long-curtailed and undetailed results of the VIII International Games for the Deaf, held in Milan, Italy, August 25-31, finally got to us, and we bet a lot of interesting patrons are still wondering what happened over there. How come? The trans-atlantic cable service is much faster than an empty chianti bottle. All we know (even now!) is that Germany, Russia, Italy, and the United States finished in that order. It shouldn't come as a surprise. Germany has been kingpin of the Games since way back. Russia and the United States, however, have moved up fast. If it were not for the John Robert Powers influence on American women, the US might have put on a better show. They say our girls collected a grand total of five points—which indicates that top spot in all future Games may well go to the country that displays the best feminine charm—muscle-wise. But no

matter. It was Germany again. So, let's give them their due.

Yes, Russia and the United States have finally been bitten hard by the "Deaf Olympics" cootie. You don't have to be a doctor to diagnose the supremacy symptoms that underlie it. Both countries sent a large group of representative athletes for the first time, and both are shaping up as the teams to beat in the future. Come the 1961 Games in Finland . . . ? ? ? And Germany, the up-to-now defending champions, will be prepared to meet this new challenge from the East and West. They don't need to be reminded.

Forty young athletes carried the Stars and Stripes to Milan. They finished fourth, and that's a commendable job. In defeat, they have learned that they will eventually succeed. It may be true that some of our top-notch athletes were left behind for this or that reason. The big reason, though, was that they couldn't prove their potential beyond the hot-air stage. Let's hear no more bellyachin' from them!

Maybe you know it already, but the American Athletic Association of the Deaf is arranging to bring the 1965 Games to the United States. A keen idea, no? The way we've heard it is that lodgings and meals for all foreign deaf participants will be **gratis**—compliments of the U.S. government through Gallaudet College. Naturally, Washington, D.C., will be the site, and a fitting one at that. We doubt many of our foreign friends will forego the invitation and opportunity to compete in and visit America. All the AAAD asks is that the visiting teams provide for their own transportation. And in terms of francs, marks and lire, that's plenty! Our monetary standard is the rest of the world's undoing. Especially so in the case of the foreign deaf who are underpaid even by their own standards.

We sincerely hope the AAAD will succeed in bringing the '65 Games to America. Meanwhile, we'll have to get rid of all this talk about Russia's refusing to allow its deaf athletes to compete in this country. After the '61 Games in Finland, the Russkis will

have a score to settle with us, or we with them. The launching of their "sputnik" has turned their heads, no doubt. Don't worry, they'll be here in '65!!

But, for the time being, let's concentrate on '61.

Bantam D'Agata Kayoes Scarponi

Last October 27, Italy's deaf Mario D'Agata knocked out countryman Federico Scarponi at 2:30 of the eighth round of a 15-round scheduled match at Cagliari, Sardinia, to clinch the European bantamweight boxing championship.

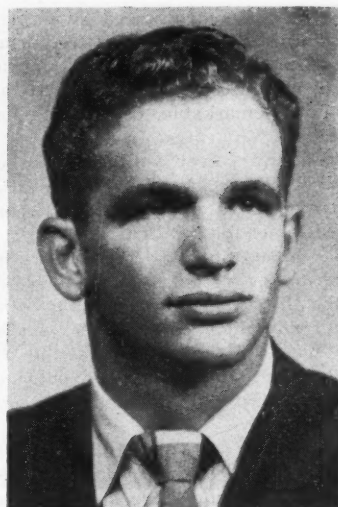
The European bantamweight title had been vacant since April 1, after France's Alphonse Halimi, then continental champion, beat D'Agata to win the world crown.

Keep Your Eyes on Gillian Hall

October's *The American Era*, a magazine put out by the American School for the Deaf at West Hartford, Conn., carries an interesting piece about Gillian Hall winning National AAU Junior Women's Solo Synchronized Swimming Championship. The writeup:

Miss Gillian Hall, a member of the June graduating class of the American School for the Deaf, attained one of her young life's greatest ambitions in a blaze of glory August 11 at Rome, N.Y., in winning the 12th Annual Junior Girls' National Solo Synchronized Swimming Championship, and by .17 of one point! She also teamed up with another Bristol, Conn., girl, Dayle Benson, to win the Invitational Duet Championship, and they were on the team of six Bristol Girls' Synchronettes who won second place in team competitions. Last spring Gillian also won the Connecticut State Championship in the same solo classification.

Gillian's victory is all the more heart-warming in that it followed her loss of a similar national indoor competition last April by only a few points



Cut courtesy of the Tennessee Observer

Once a great football player, Franklin Willis is now a teacher of football. Recently he was appointed to assist E. Conley Akin at the Tennessee School for the Deaf.

because she missed a beat in the musical accompaniment. In addition, this meet may be her last with the Bristol Synchronettes because she's entering Gallaudet College this October as a first-year student, having passed the stiff entrance examinations in spite of a grueling schedule of nightly and weekend practice swimming which she carried out by daily commuting to school from Bristol.

Gillian entered our school with no speech, but with the aid of her remnant of carefully trained residual hearing she now speaks very well with normally hearing young people, using a hearing aid when not putting the mermaids to shame with her natorial feats.

According to Edmund D. Weed, Rome pool director, who was in charge of the meet, synchronized swimming is a form of water ballet. Contestants, performing a maximum of six minutes in water, are judged on execution of performances and on style, the latter referring to such points as pool pattern, choice of costume, and music.

Music . . . was carried to the performers by three underwater loudspeakers, tested before each performance to verify that they were working properly.

Approximately 100 brightly-costumed girls lent an air of pageantry to the meet, with an outing and a meet parade of convertibles with contestants, judges, and other officials through Rome streets.

International Games for the Deaf Star Honored. Ted McBride (center) was presented a gift from the NCSD student body at the chapel of the school in a welcome back program. Making the presentation were students Billy Williams and Emily Whitesides. Others appearing on the program welcoming McBride back from the Games were, left to right, Supt. Ben. E. Hoffmeyer, Mrs. Hugh Bigam, Albert F. Mehl, and George K. Brown.



As we see, synchronized swimming is a form of water ballet requiring precise maneuvers in time to music, which makes Gillian Hall's feat all the more remarkable, considering her deafness.

By the way, keep your eyes on her for we'd like to have her on our USA swimming team at the next International Games for the Deaf in 1961.

Now again please remember no nation is ever the winner hereafter at the International Games for the Deaf. Individual performance, rather than team, is the main objective toward the promoting of good will and sportsmanship among the deaf contestants.

However, if we do want UNOFFICIAL team championship of the Games, we should have a full swimming team of both men and women. There are some 458 points to be considered in swimming. At the recent International Games for the Deaf only TEN nations competed in men's swimming and THREE countries in the women's event.

So—let's look for prospects for our USA swimming team. And Gillian Hall is an excellent prospect.

We'd Like To See Again . . .

If we could get Father Time to turn the calendar back, we'd like to see again at those national AAAD cage-fests . . .

Captain Nathaniel Echols, the rubbery little Negro basketball player and one of the greatest "brains" even seen on a basketball floor, stealing the ball from Ralph Lee, tall Akron guard, from under the Buffalo basket and dunking it in for what proved to be the championship basket at Akron in 1945.

Akron going all out for revenge of the year before by beating Buffalo at its own game—slow and defensive basketball . . . and the classy Los Angeles Club of the Deaf five, coached by Lou Dyer, winning the national title at Chicago in 1946.

The biggest crowd in Detroit Deafdom's basketball history roaring approval of underrated Chicago Club of the Deaf cagers who won the national title in 1947 by coming from behind in the last three minutes to beat Des Moines in the first round, nosing out 1946 national champion Los Angeles in the semi-finals and battling the veteran Buffalo cagers on "even terms" throughout the championship tussle to beat them in the final seconds.

Buffalo advancing to the semi-finals of the Philadelphia meet in 1948 by the skin of its teeth after a cat-and-dog fight with Houston, staging a garrison

finish to defeat Los Angeles in a tight defensive tussle, and winning its second national crown by beating Des Moines, due to Drone's deadeye shooting, Russ Sheak's height, and Echol's strategy.

Wilbur Sawhill, burly Des Moines guard, sending the ball in twice for the deciding points as his team beat Los Angeles in the final game in which the score saw-sawed back and forth throughout at Oakland in 1949.

Little Rock proving itself the team worth watching for years to come when it won its first national title at Washington, D. C., in 1950.

Des Moines becoming the second club to annex the tourney crown twice at Indianapolis in 1951.

Carl Lorello of New York GTAC hitting the net with such consistency at Houston in 1952.

Clyde Nutt of Little Rock compiling the highest scoring average in AAAD cage tournament history—101 points in three games for a 33.7 clip—at Milwaukee in 1953.

The tournament of upsets at Kansas City in 1954.

Washington's spunky hoopsters providing the biggest upset thrill of the tournament history by knocking over Little Rock's appellation in a semi-final game at Los Angeles in 1955.

Quentin Amati making an unbelievable shot in the last second of the final game at the Cleveland Arena in 1956 that gave the New York club its first AAAD championship.

And Little Rock having to beat Tony Panella coached Milwaukee five in the first overtime final game of the AAAD cagefest at New York in 1957.

Now we will see a game or two at Chicago on April 9-10-11-12 which we no doubt would like to see again . . .

Hats Off to Henry Brenner

In his second year as coach of North Dakota School for the Deaf's six-man football team, Henry Brenner put together an undefeated NDSD outfit. It reached a milestone no other NDSD team has accomplished since football was started at the school. No team has been able to score six successive victories in any season.

Brenner is not a miracle coach. The team's success is a result of his ability, interest, and initiative. And Brenner has done a remarkable job with the boys, and the boys have done a remarkable job in following his advice.

Let's take our hats off to Henry Brenner. He no doubt would make a fine 11-man school for the deaf football coach. He really knows football, as he was a mainstay of Woonsocket (R.I.)

High grid teams of '49 and '50 and a star guard on the University of Rhode Island elevens for three years from 1952 to 1954.

The 1957 edition of the NDSD Bulldogs won every football game very easily and by a sizable score. They racked up 193 points and allowed their six opponents to tally only 38. Paul Halverson, a junior, is regarded as one of the finest high school six-man half-backs seen in North Dakota. He scored 72 points in six games.

Willis Back to Tennessee School

We are pleased to learn through the Knoxville News-Sentinel that Franklin Willis is returning to his alma mater, the Tennessee School for the Deaf, for his name was synonymous with football at TSD in the late '40's.

The former Viking star—more recently a standout at Gallaudet College—has been hired as an assistant grid coach at TSD. He assumed his new duties when the drills for the 1957 season opened. He also serves as an offset printing instructor.

During Willis' reign at TSD the Vikings enjoyed their greatest football success. As a sophomore he led the team to an undefeated season, winning eight games in a row; when a junior the club won eight more games before losing the heart-breaking finale; and during his senior year the Vikings had a 7-2 record. Willis twice gained All-East Tennessee honors and was deaf All-American for three years during his high school career.

Despite numerous leg injuries at Gallaudet he attained almost equal fame as a footballer. He was perhaps the greatest punter ever to play at the Washington, D.C., school.

Willis—a bruising runner and good passer—also played basketball and was a member of the track team at TSD. He was one of the area's top dashmen during the 1948-49 seasons.

Kubis Goes to Gallaudet

John Kubis' greatest coaching achievement became North Carolina's greatest coaching loss.

Already rated one of the nation's foremost school for the deaf football tutors, John Kubis left the North Carolina School for the Deaf to take a position on the staff at the preparatory school of Gallaudet College, where he is teaching math and also assisting with the athletic program.

During his five-year stint at NCS D Kubis' elevens won 37 games while losing only 11 and tying one. He put together three unbeaten teams in 1952, 1954, and 1955, and was Coach-of-the-Year in 1952.

Kubis was successful at NCSD FIRST because he explained every detail of not only individual positions but THE GAME to the Bears. He was successful because he insisted upon perfection—to the limit of a player's ability—from every squad member. He was successful because he did not condone failure. He was successful because he CORRECTED failure, first analyzing it to see if HE was at fault in his teaching or judgment.

Kubis was successful because he knew his type of play and was not hide-bound within it. He knew it so well he could make minor adjustments to fit his personnel, thereby making a player appear better than he was by making him more effective as a TEAM member.

Kubis' secret of successful coaching was that he taught football to individuals, within their limits and never beyond them.

Believe us. John Kubis, we were sorry to see you leave NCSD but wish you lots of luck in your new venture.

Here and There

After a year's absence New York GTAC once again ruled supreme in the Eastern Athletic Association of the Deaf softball circles, brushing aside the Pelicans, last year's champs, in the finals, 10-6 . . . Nine teams participated in the annual Eastern shindig August 17-18 under the auspices of the Boston Deaf Club . . . Omaha outlasted Council Bluffs, 12-9, to take the championship of the first annual Midwest Athletic Association of the Deaf softball tournament held at Omaha over the Labor Day weekend . . . The deaf southerners voted to hold annual softball tournaments under the sanction of the SEAAD and the AAAD, patterned like those conducted in the CAAD and EAAD. Atlanta will put out the welcome mat for the first meet in 1958 during the Labor Day weekend . . . Galaudet College is building a new gymnasium which will seat 2,000, replacing the "Ole Jim" which has been used since 1887.

Football Enriches Language

We are discussing football—the great bit of Americana and the contribution it has made to literature.

Or perhaps you would prefer not to call the sports pages "literature" as such?

This is beside the point. What we would like to discuss is the manner in which football has enriched the English language as it is used, or misused, in describing the sport.

In the writing business we call these little descriptive variations, "cliches." The purist undoubtedly looks on foot-



Coach Henry Brenner and the first undefeated six-man football team in the history of the North Dakota School for the Deaf. Joanne Deckert, homecoming queen, is flanked by her attendants, Leona Erdman and Phylis Frelich. Photo courtesy of the North Dakota Banner.

ball jargon as "literary garbage."

Whatever you care to say about it, this contribution to our language through the good game of football is colorful, and we have yet to hear from a reader who fails to understand it.

Have a look.

It is a sad football game indeed where some scribe or radio-caster doesn't have "all roads leading" to the stadium; where a bunch of "burly behemoths" take to the "greensward," their "loins girded for mortal combat."

It is sure to be mentioned that someone will "put shoe leather to pigskin" even if a football is cowhide or maybe rubber.

If the contest takes place on a rain-soaked it certainly will be played on a "sea of mud," according to someone.

Under any circumstances the "underdog" or "dark horse" will seek a "moral victory," at least, but might wind up "outmanned but not outgamed," after attempting to "beard the lion in his den."

The opening kickoff quite likely will be a "booming" one. One team likely is going to put up a "stonewall defense" when its "goal line is in jeopardy."

There will be "swivel-hipped backs" and "speed burners" who will "scorch the turf" as a team turns loose a "vaunted attack." "Pile-driving full-backs" will "churn up the field," and someone is bound to "walk the tight-rope down the sidelines."

The defense is certain to come up with "earth-shaking tackles" as the offense "shoots the works," moving down past the "chalk marks" to "pay dirt."

Once there, some place picker undoubtedly "splits the uprights" for the extra point, while the "forward wall surges" in.

Quite probably the other team will then "roar from behind," like "a bolt from the blue."

This is apt to be accomplished by a "rifle-armed" passer who "threads the needle" with his accurate "pitches" directed at "rangy" ends and "sticky-fingered" halfbacks who fake the opposition "out of their pants."

There must be "titanic" tackles, "key" blocks where someone is apt to get "clobbered," perhaps the "fancy flinger."

The drive is apt to be stopped "short of the last chalk stripe" after which a "towering" punt follows.

Then a "pitched battle" probably will ensue after the "offense has bogged down" and the "threat is thwarted."

Some "scintillating star" who can stand the "rock and sock" of the "torrid tilt" sure as sin is going to "break loose" with a "full head of steam" only to be "racked up" with a "crashing tackle." He will then "hobble" from the field, to be "rushed to a hospital."

Then's when you can expect an "unknown" sub to "jump up" from the bench, "dash" out on the field and deliver the "pay-off pitch" that will "ice the game" as the "shirt-sleeved crowd goes stark, raving mad."

At that juncture look for "bedlam to break loose" and "pandemonium" will "reign" as the "final gun barks" to end a "hard-fought" contest.

That's football, "as she is writ."

National Association of the Deaf

Byron B. Burnes, President

Robert M. Greenmun, Sec.-Treas.

With Our Loyal Workers

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This month's applause winners in the current nationwide N.A.D. membership rally are again the Alabamans. Last month we reported they had moved up from eleventh place to seventh. This month we are happy to report that they have taken over No. 1 place in membership rank. Alabama now has a total of 35 Dollar-a-Month members with a "batting average" of .350, which is well ahead of Ted Grifing's Oklahomans (.229). "Coach" Harry Baynes and the Alabaman "Team" deserve the honor as the "Loyal Workers of the Month." Moral: the hustling tortoise can beat the snoozing jackrabbit anytime.

Arkansas is another state that deserves high praise. We find that they have come up from way down to cop fourth place. At a "rally" in Little Rock in mid-January, Robert Marsden was named state membership chairman. Speakers included James Smith, Luther Shibley, myself and others. With all working together, Arkansas will be heard from if they perform as deaf citizens as well as the Little Rock team did as world basketball champions.

A suggestion worth passing on resulted from discussions at the Little Rock meeting. One lady told how the \$-a-month idea appealed highly to her as means of contributing steadily to a good cause at little cost. But the business of writing a check and mailing it regularly each month was a bothersome chore, easily forgotten. On the other hand, paying a lump sum destroys the low cost convenience. The happy solution agreed upon: the local chairman would collect and mail in the contributions for all each month. For groups that meet regularly, this plan may be most suitable.

In bygone years the measure of a deaf man's (or woman's) devotion to the traditions of united action to better the welfare of the deaf was how well he performed at conventions. In other words, if he carried the torch just a few days every two or three years, he could go home with the satisfaction that he had discharged his civic responsibilities. Today this concept no longer holds true. Conditions today

require year-around vigilance by our N.A.D., and this in turn requires year-around support by all good deaf citizens. The steady fulltime torchbearers now outrank in importance the "once-in-awhilers."

Saved for the last is a happy report. With the help of our printshop boys and our typing class girls, we recently mailed letters to the superintendents and editors of the school papers, asking them to consider including in their paper an "ad" urging N.A.D. membership. Replies are now coming in, and judging from the enthusiastic responses in the first batch of letters, the superintendents are solidly behind the N.A.D. membership drive. One stout N.A.D. supporter even asked that he be regularly billed \$12 a year, even though he and his wife were already Century Club members. These men who are daily on the educational and economic firing line for us fully realize the importance of the N.A.D. and are eager to help. For this cooperation we can all be thankful—and we can show it by enrolling as a member, too.

Affiliation Questions Answered

The secretary of a state association considering whether or not to affiliate with the National Association of the Deaf under the new federation provisions recently wrote to N.A.D. Secretary Greenmun asking some pertinent questions regarding the relationship between the state associations and the N.A.D. under the new plan.

For the information of other state association officials who may have similar questions in mind, we are printing below the questions asked and Col. Greenmun's reply:

The Questions

1. In event of an organization affiliating with the N.A.D., just what obligations would the organization assume with reference to

- A. Financial obligations to the N.A.D.
- B. Surrender of autonomy to the N.A.D.
- C. Extent of responsibility to the N.A.D. with reference to implementing N.A.D. policy.

2. In event of such affiliation, just what obligations would the N.A.D. assume with reference to the following:

- A. Financial support or aid if any to the affiliate.
- B. Kind and extent of reciprocal aid to the local affiliate by the N.A.D.
- C. Services extended to the affiliate.
- D. Other benefits resulting to the affiliate.

The Reply

The answers to your various questions are quite fully covered in the Constitution and By-laws which were accepted at the St. Louis Convention subject to ratification by affiliated state organizations.

The "new" N.A.D. will be a federation of state associations of the deaf. All the business of the Association will be conducted by authorized (through election, appointment, or otherwise) delegates of these associations, reporting to and responsible to those associations.

Financial obligations have purposely been left unspecified. At the first Convention of the National Association following acceptance of the new Constitution and By-laws by 15 state associations, the delegates of those associations will then (1) elect the officers of the N.A.D., (2) determine the future policy of the N.A.D. (3) consider and accept a budget for the N.A.D. (4) decide the fair share that each member association should contribute toward the budgeted expenses of the N.A.D.

Affiliation at the present time incurs no obligations whatsoever upon a state association beyond the token payment of "\$10.00 or more per year." There is no loss of autonomy, either under the present organizational setup or under the proposed setup which will be a result of the new constitution. Once that constitution is in effect, all policy of the Association, including the relationship between the N.A.D. itself and its member associations, will be decided only by vote of the delegates themselves. No member association will have less than one delegate or more than three, and each delegate will have but one vote.

Your second question, concerning obligations of the N.A.D. to the member associations, is a matter of policy that will be taken up and acted upon by the first convention of delegates of member associations. So you can see that these first delegates will have the responsibility of fixing both the inter-association relations of the National

Association and determining the scope of its activities.

Those of us who have taken an active part in the formulation of the new Constitution and By-laws have done so in the conviction that for too long matters of national policy have had to be decided by the elected officers, and that if the National Association is really to fulfill its expected functions the state organizations themselves must take an increasing responsibility for the determination of national policy and for the financial support of the activities of the National Association that are of benefit to all.

We feel that under this proposed organizational setup there will be a much more equitable division among the states both for responsibility for national policy and scope of activity and for support of the many projects that in the end contribute to the total welfare of the deaf.

We also feel that this proposed organizational setup will strengthen both the state associations and the national organization. It has been proposed that national conventions be held every other year, and that state associations meet in the interim years. In this way delegates are elected and instructed by the state association, the following year attend the national convention and there carry out the wishes and the dictates of their state association, reporting back the following year to their own constituency.

The national conventions will have two deliberative bodies. The first will consist of all attending the convention, and they will discuss and refer by vote to the council of delegates any pertinent matters. However, the vote of this group is not in any way binding upon the council of delegates. Such votes will be simply referrals and recommendations. The official business of the Association will be conducted only by the council of delegates. Such business will include the election of Association officers and Executive Board Members, all matters of official Association policy, and all financial matters.

We believe that over the past twelve years we have shown that greater things are possible than many have dreamed of. The very real accomplishments of the Association over these years have been due entirely to the inspired efforts of a pitifully few individuals. It is only logical to assume that much greater accomplishment will be possible if the responsibility is spread out so that each state can take part in what is really the duty and responsibility of many rather than that

of just a few persons or groups.

We feel that the deaf people of America will not have achieved true social maturity until they take a more active interest in and responsibility for their own affairs. The philosophy of "Let George Do It" has held forth too long. We have brought the Association as far as it can be brought on the basis

of memberships and contributions. We have done all that we could within the limitations of the time and the funds that have been allotted us. As individuals we can do no more, but with the support and backing of the federated state associations of the deaf there is really no limit to what can be done.

1957 Convention Financial Report

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements For the Period of September 16, 1955, to October 31, 1957

	Activities		Totals
	Prior to Convention	1957 Convention	
RECEIPTS:			
Donations	\$ 395.98	\$ —	\$ 395.98
Party receipts, 1955 party	414.77	—	415.77
Rally receipts, 1956	400.63	—	400.63
Play receipts, 1956	123.62	—	123.62
Sale of booster pens	1,313.00	—	1,313.00
Amateur night receipts, 1956	126.82	—	126.82
Benefit party, hayride, et al	368.94	—	368.94
Sale of convention tickets	—	6,327.75	6,327.75
Sale of baseball tickets	—	128.30	128.30
Refunds and other misc.	5.50	27.41	32.91
Change fund returned	—	50.00	50.00
Accommodations, cash exch. for checks	—	907.20	907.20
Total Receipts	3,150.26	7,440.66	10,590.92
DISBURSEMENTS:			
Advertising	402.66	—	402.66
Travel, committeemen	600.51	—	600.51
Printing & Stationery	68.88	161.07	229.95
Other committee expenses	96.93	—	96.93
Pens purchased	283.40	—	283.40
Surety bond, treasurer	7.50	—	7.50
Bad check (later made good)	3.00	—	3.00
Tickets, 1955 party	11.22	—	11.22
Tickets, costumes, etc., '56 rally	36.43	—	36.43
Dinner meeting, Nat'l. officers	183.59	—	183.59
Misc. expenses	11.12	—	11.12
Checks issued for cash received	—	907.20	907.20
Change fund, conv. tickets	—	50.00	50.00
Baseball tickets	—	128.30	128.30
Steamer tickets	—	300.90	300.90
Banquet meals	—	1,568.00	1,568.00
Box lunches for outing	—	675.00	675.00
Entertainment expenses	—	489.60	489.60
Reception expenses	—	170.80	170.80
Guest rooms	—	96.13	96.13
Guard service	—	31.20	31.20
Chartered bus service	—	248.00	248.00
Interpreting services	5.00	153.00	158.00
Gifts and prizes	—	62.50	62.50
Convention services, committee and others	—	422.25	422.25
Convention supplies	—	184.92	184.92
Refunds	—	5.50	5.50
Total Disbursements	1,710.24	5,654.37	7,364.61
Excess of receipts over disbursements	\$1,440.02	\$1,786.29	\$ 3,226.31

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